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Shelter to change relocation plan

Opposition by neighbors prompts South Park Inn to abandon proposed move to Upper Albany site

By Kenneth R. Gosselin
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — The South Park Inn shelter for people experiencing homelessness is abandoning a controversial plan to relocate from near downtown Hartford to a larger building in the city’s North End, after an uproar from neighbors and businesses.

The shelter, a fixture on Main Street since 1984 in a former church, had set its sights on the Salvation Army building in Upper Albany neighborhood on Homestead Avenue, near Albany Avenue.

But the neighborhood strongly opposed the plan, arguing the Homestead Avenue corridor was

targeted for economic development by the city.

The neighborhood, they said, also had already done its part supporting social services organizations in the past. The support included the Chrysalis Center, just a block away on Homestead from the Salvation Army building. Chrysalis helps those living in poverty struggling with mental health issues, addiction, HIV/

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The South Park Inn, for people experiencing homelessness in Hartford, is dropping plans to purchase the Salvation Army building, left, in Upper Albany.

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Gov. Ned Lamont joins protesters during a May 8 reproductive rights rally in Westport held in the wake of a leaked draft of a U.S. Supreme Court opinion that would overturn the Roe v. Wade decision that protected abortion rights. **DOUGLAS HEALEY/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

In Connecticut, how accessible is abortion?

Gov. Lamont has pledged to keep the procedure safe, legal and available

By Susan Dunne | Hartford Courant

As a leaked Supreme Court draft opinion suggests that the Roe v. Wade national protections for abortion may be overturned soon, Connecticut has become a “safe harbor” for women seeking an abortion.

The governor recently signed a new law offering legal protection for both patients and providers. The law, which takes effect on July 1, also expands who is eligible to offer abortion care.

As other states wait for laws to take effect

banning it, Gov. Ned Lamont has promised the state will keep abortion safe, legal and accessible. But how accessible is it in Connecticut? What do people experience when seeking to terminate a pregnancy?

Medication

Two types of abortions are offered to patients in Connecticut. One is done at home, with two pills, mifepristone and misoprostol. They are prescribed, in person or by telehealth, by a physician or a nurse midwife, advance practice registered nurse or physician assistant. The pills can be picked up at a pharmacy or a doctor’s

office or mailed to the patient.

This procedure can be done up to 11 weeks into the pregnancy, said Roxanne Sutocky of The Women’s Centers, a multi-state consortium of women’s health providers with an office in Bloomfield.

“Mifepristone stops the production of progesterone. Progesterone is necessary to continue the pregnancy. Then she waits 24 to 48 hours and takes the second medication, which helps the uterus to expel the tissue,” Sutocky said.

Sutocky said this procedure is 99% effective, but there are side effects: cramping,

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USJ males make history

Saint Joseph’s first full-time, four-year coed class graduates

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

Noreaga Davis, of Bridgeport, entered the University of Saint Joseph in West Hartford as a freshman in 2018. Davis was a biology major and a member of the basketball team.

He left the basketball team in his sophomore year and changed his major to English, with emphasis on education. On Saturday, Davis graduated with a bachelor’s degree. He will begin a job as a teacher in late May and will start graduate school in the fall.

“At first basketball was all I knew. As I got older and started experiencing more things, I decided to step away,” Davis said. “I was so used to doing one thing. It was hard to step away from it. I feel what I experienced here matured me as a person and as a man to make those decisions.”

Davis was one of 38 men awarded undergraduate degrees from USJ in Saturday’s ceremony at the XL Center in Hartford. The men are making history, as the first full-time, four-year male undergrads in the 90-year history of the school, which was founded in 1932 as a college for women.

“It’s not real to me yet. It won’t be real until I pass across the stage. Then it will be a part of the school’s history forever,” Davis said last week.

Alongside the men, 129 women received undergraduate degrees.

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Neighborhood lift in Hartford

Mayor Luke Bronin and officials from the Hartford Land Bank show off the organization’s first rehabilitated property, which will begin receiving tenants by the end of the month. **SUNDAY CT, PAGE 1**

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10 dead, suspect arrested in shooting

Officials call crime at NY supermarket ‘racially motivated’

By Carolyn Thompson, Michael Balsamo and Dave Collins
Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — A gunman wearing military gear and livestreaming with a helmet camera opened fire with a rifle at a Buffalo,

New York, supermarket in what authorities described as “racially motivated violent extremism,” killing 10 people and wounding three others Saturday before he surrendered, authorities said.

Police officials said the 18-year-old gunman, who is white and also wore body armor, pulled up in the afternoon and opened fire amid shoppers at a Tops Friendly Market.

“He exited his vehicle. He was very heavily armed. He had tacti-

cal gear. He had a tactical helmet on. He had a camera that he was livestreaming what he was doing,” city Police Commissioner Joseph Gramaglia said at a news conference.

Gramaglia said the gunman initially shot four people outside the store, three fatally. Inside the store, a security guard who was a retired Buffalo police officer fired multiple shots at the gunman and struck him, but the bullet hit the gunman’s bulletproof vest and had

no effect, Gramaglia added. The commissioner said the gunman then killed the security guard.

Video also captured the suspect as he walked into the supermarket where he shot several other victims inside, according to authorities.

Police said 11 of the victims were Black and two are white. The supermarket is in a predominantly Black neighborhood a few miles

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bleeding, possibly nausea, fever and diarrhea. The process is similar to a miscarriage.

According to the website of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England's New Haven office, a medication abortion costs \$576 to \$662 and may be covered by insurance.

Aspiration

The pill method is the most widely available, but Sutocky said many women prefer a quicker procedure.

"The medication does take place over several days and you do need a follow-up. But some people want to go in for appointment and leave that day and know that they are no longer pregnant. Maybe they don't have the time. Maybe they are home taking care of three or four other children. Maybe they don't have private personal space," she said.

The outpatient medical procedure, called aspiration, can be done for pregnancies that are up to and beyond 11 weeks, pre-viability. The procedure requires an appointment lasting two to six hours. The procedure itself takes from three to 20 minutes, depending on how far along the patient is in her pregnancy. But a lot leads up to the procedure.

"They may need an ultrasound and lab work, a health checkup and a physical to make sure they are healthy enough to proceed. They might meet with financial intake coordinator and a patient advocate who would talk to them about informed consent, about their decision, their support system, their resources," Sutocky said.

The procedure is finished in those few hours, a fraction of the time of the medication procedure.

According to the website of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England's New Haven office, an aspiration abortion costs \$613 to \$996, depending on the



People hold signs during a demonstration at a May 8 reproductive rights rally in Westport. DOUGLAS HEALEY/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

gestation period, and may be covered by insurance.

Availability

The new law has its most profound effect on the availability of the aspiration procedure. Since 2001, nurse midwives, advance practice registered nurses and physician assistants have been able to prescribe the pill regimen. But only physicians have been allowed to perform aspirations.

When the law takes effect, people in those three professions, which are collectively referred to as advanced practice clinicians, can legally perform aspirations.

Liz Gustafson, state director of Pro-Choice Connecticut, said Connecticut is now the 16th state to allow this modernization of accessibility. "We are essentially catching up to the standard of care," she said. Gustafson said it was necessary because nationwide, and in Connecticut, a critical shortage of doctors is looming.

"Currently in Connecticut, patients seeking abor-

tion by aspiration have been facing around a two-week waiting period just for their appointments due to a lack of providers. And it will get worse," Gustafson said. "It's not even just in abortion care, but the outlook is that there will be a physician shortage overall. This shortage outlook is expected to be especially severe with ob-gyns. Connecticut could no longer rely solely on physicians to provide these procedural abortions."

According to 2019 projections by The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, there is a shortage of 9,000 ob-gyns nationwide and by 2050 that shortage will grow to 22,000. Those projections stated that at the time, 35% of ob-gyns were 55 or older, closing in on retirement age, and only 19% are younger than 40.

Sources

Those who want to get an abortion can refer to a variety of sources. Some doctors won't perform them or refer to anyone who will, because

they are associated with a faith-based medical group or for other reasons.

"This new law won't work in a way that will force anyone to provide care. But it will open up the doors for providers who are willing and ready," Gustafson said. "Nothing changes for the individual in terms of steps they would take to get care. But once there are more trained providers, there would be less of a waiting period."

Sources for abortion information include Planned Parenthood (plannedparenthood.org), which provides a wide range of reproductive health services; Sutocky's organization, The Women's Centers (thewomenscenters.com), which will refer to the Hartford GYN Center in Bloomfield; the national website ineedana.com; prochoice.org; and the referral hotline 877-257-0012.

Sutocky said some organizations, like crisis pregnancy centers, use vague wording to disguise their intent.

"These organizations

are an extension of the anti-abortion movement. They sometimes advertise 'pregnant, need support?' or 'are you looking for options?' " she said. "They will meet with people to encourage them to continue their pregnancy, but they will not provide [abortion] information or referrals."

Protections

Another element of the new law protects patients who come to Connecticut from states where the care they seek is illegal, and protects Connecticut providers, too. Connecticut courts will not cooperate with out-of-state investigation of this sort, and patients and providers can fight back against investigations begun in other states.

"Texas passed a law last year, where an abortion is outlawed if the pregnancy is past six weeks. The state shifted the enforcement mechanism from the state to private citizens, basically deputizing them to launch civil lawsuits against people they determine to be in violation of the law. Bills like this have been introduced in other states, too," Sutocky said.

"In Connecticut, we have already seen patients travel from Texas to access care. Our providers are happy to take care of patients. This [new Connecticut law] creates a protection. If someone from out of state sues you, you can get that money back by launching a claw-back lawsuit. Hopefully that will serve as a deterrent."

Gretchen Raffa, vice president of public policy, advocacy and organizing at Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, said the fight for abortion rights is not over.

"We'll continue fighting to make health care affordable and accessible, ensure health insurance coverage for residents of our state regardless of immigration status and eliminate any barrier, including abortion shame and stigma, that

keeps abortion care out of reach," Raffa said.

Barriers

Sarah Gordon-Brilla, senior director of communications and brand experience at Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, said despite the expanded access to services, some people might hesitate anyway because of invisible psychological barriers. The most powerful of these is stigma.

"There is a massive amount of abortion stigma. It's reinforced in a lot of pop culture narratives we see and in people's conversations. That's a huge barrier. It causes negative emotion, negative impacts. There is a psychological impact from the shame society puts on you," Gordon-Brilla said.

One fear some may face is worry that a patient may come in contact with protesters. But Gordon-Brilla said laws are in place to protect people from harassment.

"There is a law about how close protesters can come to the health center. It's not like someone can physically stop them. That would be a violation of their personal space. The law protects the patients," she said. "We have a welcome crew that will walk the patient into the health center so they don't have to go anywhere near protesters."

Raffa said other barriers include transportation, child care, time off from work and cost.

"Even with these important advancements, we know some Connecticut residents won't be able to access the abortion care they need and deserve," she said. "We'll continue fighting to make health care affordable and accessible, ensure health insurance coverage for residents of our state regardless of immigration status, and eliminate any barrier — including abortion shame and stigma — that keeps abortion care out of reach."

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Graduates

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In addition, 34 men and 257 women were awarded master’s degrees, and 17 men and 33 women earned doctorates in pharmaceutical studies.

In 2018, to boost enrollment and offer more opportunities to its students, USJ decided to admit men into the undergraduate class as full-time students. This came after decades of allowing men to take undergrad classes part time, and to get graduate degrees at USJ.

Noah Fitzgerald is another of the pioneering men. Fitzgerald was a student at Sacred Heart High School in Waterbury in 2018 when he visited USJ for a campus tour.

“I liked the environment of the campus. I walked around and everyone was very welcoming,” he said. “It was a smaller school, and that is what I was interested in.”

An added bonus was being in a historic class: “That definitely was another attraction, being part of something that is growing and expanding.”

Fitzgerald graduated with a degree in math, with a concentration in actuarial science. He will soon join Aetna’s actuarial leadership development program.

Rhona Free, who has been



Noreaga Davis, left, of Bridgeport, and Noah Fitzgerald, of Waterbury, are part of the first full-time coed graduating class at the University of Saint Joseph in West Hartford. Thirty-eight men were awarded undergraduate degrees. **STEPHEN DUNN/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

president of USJ since 2015, said the decision to go coed was motivated by the desire to add courses of study and majors. That couldn’t be done with such a small student body.

“We couldn’t support the whole range of majors we can support with more students. Since 2018, we’ve been able to add a number of majors to enroll both male and female students. We wouldn’t have had that without higher enrollment,” Free said.

In fall 2017, the last year

all full-time undergrads were women, the student body was 654 full-time and 156 part-time students, Free said. In fall 2021, when this school year began, the student body was 852 full time and 54 part time. Free said many part-time men went full time when they were allowed. The full-time enrollment is still 78% women, she said.

The incoming student body this fall is “quite a bit larger” than 2021, but Free did not have solid stats because admissions are still

coming in.

In the four years since USJ went coed, several new majors have been introduced: health science, computer data science, bioinformatics (the practice of using data to understand aspects of biology), sports management, exercise science and digital media. Actuarial science, Fitzgerald’s discipline, is a new division of the department of mathematics.

“Health science is now the second-most intended major of incoming students.

Sports management is right up there, too, at number four,” Free said.

In addition, in the last four years women’s lacrosse and field hockey teams have been added, increasing the number of female student athletes from 86 to 149, she said.

Men’s sports teams now include basketball, lacrosse, soccer, swimming, diving and cross country, and baseball is coming next year.

“The athletics have made a name for themselves and are continuing to grow and excel,” Fitzgerald said. “The academic part already spoke for itself”

Recruiting legendary UConn coach Jim Calhoun to be the inaugural coach of the men’s basketball team — he started as a consultant in 2017 and as a coach in 2018 — was done in part to help the school’s coeducational plans succeed, Free said.

“We thought he would attract basketball players, and also just the public’s interest. Someone with Coach Calhoun’s reputation would bring a positive perspective on St. Joe’s and get more people to know about us,” she said. Calhoun retired in 2021.

Men have been part-time undergrads at USJ since 1965 and graduate students since 1974, Free said.

Fitzgerald said he felt the school, even as it welcomed men full time, has stayed

true to its history as a place for women’s empowerment.

“I took a women’s history course. I liked it a lot. It was the only class I took where I was the only male in the class. It definitely opened up my perspective on the disparity between men and women, specifically in regard to art history,” he said. “So many women artists don’t get recognized because of their gender. It was a great class, and it opened my eyes to things I may not have realized prior to that.”

Free said “the basic culture of the campus didn’t change all that much.”

“Female students did a really good job making it clear that on this campus we have a culture of respect of leadership among women, and that is not going to change with men on campus,” Free said. “At the same time, we found that men integrated rapidly into campus activities. It was a smooth transition.”

Fitzgerald said his freshman year was the year he felt most acutely that he was going to a school in transition. As each year went by, this feeling faded.

“Now it feels as if it’s been coed forever,” he said.

“Now you’re not able to tell that previously it was an all-women’s college.”

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AIDS, homelessness and returning to society from incarceration.

South Park Inn officials said the community feedback — expressed in two community meetings this month, the latest on Thursday — had led the shelter to consider other alternatives in Hartford “where we can provide Hartford residents with the services they need and deserve.”

“Support from and for our community is core to our organizational mission at South Park Inn,” Jane Banks, the shelter’s executive director, said in a statement. “We look forward to the collaborating with the city on identification of a new site that meets both the community needs and our needs.”

The opposition illustrates the difficulty in finding new locations for social services such as shelters, especially in urban areas where the need is typically more acute.

A year ago, South Park Inn said it could accelerate its plans to find larger and more modern space because the city had offered possible federal coronavirus funding



Hartford’s South Park Inn shelter for people experiencing homelessness has been a fixture on Main Street since 1984. It is housed in the former South Park Methodist Church. **KENNETH R. GOSSELIN/HARTFORD COURANT**

designated to fight homelessness.

Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin said, in a statement, the city had clearly heard the concerns of the Upper Albany neighborhood and responded to them.

But the city is “committed to working with the leadership of the South Park Inn to help identify a site that will meet their needs and allow them to pursue their mission as effectively as possible, in partnership with the community.”

Bronin said Friday a dollar

amount of aid for the shelter’s relocation had not been determined yet.

Neighborhood leaders who organized opposition to the relocation plan acknowledged the invaluable and essential work of the shelter.

Homestead just wasn’t the right place, they said.

The thoroughfare would be better used for economic development that would lift property values, stimulate more business opportunities and foster support for the arts and education, said Francine Austin, a

board member of the Upper Albany Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Organization who organized opposition to the shelter relocation

The area also could be used to form a more cohesive, collaborative community between Upper Albany and other nearby neighborhoods such as the West End and Asylum Hill, said Austin, a Hartford native who lives near the Salvation Army building and runs an entertainment and marketing business.

Austin said she was pleased with the shelter’s decision to look elsewhere.

“Can you feel my smile through the phone?” Austin said in a telephone interview Friday.

The neighborhood’s displeasure surfaced at a recent meeting of the Upper Albany Main Street, an organization that focuses on development in the neighborhood.

Ula Dodson, whose parents bought a house in the neighborhood in 1966, said Upper Albany has long supported social services, maybe too much so.

“As things are picking up, we want things that are going to put more value in

our neighborhood,” Dodson said. “We need something more than this. And we don’t want to be labeled that we don’t have compassion because that’s not true. There are some people in our family who might be in this situation.

“I just want it to be known, when people speak out, we want to be heard and understood, that we’re not against anybody. We just don’t want this at this time.”

Last year, South Park Inn said the pandemic had made it painfully clear the shelter needed a larger space to evolve from a dormitory-style of sheltering. South Park, which serves men, women and children, said its mission has evolved to help those seeking shelter to transition to permanent housing and connect them with, if needed, mental health, addiction treatment and other services.

The shelter has also ended a long-running policy of discharging those sheltering to the streets during the day.

Banks told The Courant last year South Park Inn had explored potential renovations at the church, but the options for expansion were limited. There was little room for more clinical

services and a dental office, plus the shelter’s operations are now split between two buildings and should be all under one roof,” Banks said.

“I want all that, and I’m never going to have it where we are,” Banks said.

A potential relocation of the South Park Inn — once the home of the South Park Methodist Church — comes at a time of major change in the surrounding neighborhood.

A new, \$26 million, mixed-income apartment development just north of the shelter at the intersection of Park and Main streets is nearly complete.

As the apartments have been built, concerns have lingered about the compatibility of the shelter and the new development. But the shelter said it has worked to be a good neighbor and the decision to relocate as the new development is being built is purely coincidental.

The historic Barnard Park, across Main from the shelter and the new development, is the focus of plans to make the park more pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly.

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north of downtown Buffalo.

“This is the worst nightmare that any community can face, and we are hurting and we are seething right now,” Buffalo Mayor Byron Brown said. “The depth of pain that families are feeling and that all of us are feeling right now cannot even be explained.”

Gramaglia said Buffalo police entered the store and confronted the gunman in the vestibule.

“At that point the suspect put the gun to his own neck. Buffalo police personnel — two patrol officers — talked the suspect into dropping the gun. He dropped the gun, took off some of his tactical gear, surrendered at that point. And he was led outside, put in a police car,” he said.

The suspected gunman was later identified as Payton



Police secure a perimeter after a shooting at a supermarket Saturday in Buffalo, N.Y. A gunman killed 10 people before he surrendered, authorities said. **JOSHUA BESSEX/AP**

Gendron, 18, of Conklin, New York, about 200 miles southeast of Buffalo, two law enforcement officials told

The Associated Press. The officials were not permitted to speak publicly on the matter and did so on the

condition of anonymity.

Wearing a hospital gown, Gendron was arraigned on court Saturday evening on

first-degree murder charges and ordered detained without bail.

At the earlier news briefing, Erie County Sheriff John Garcia called the shooting a hate crime.

“This was pure evil. It was straight-up racially motivated hate crime from somebody outside of our community,” Garcia said.

Elsewhere, NAACP President Derrick Johnson issued a statement in which he called the shooting “absolutely devastating.”

The shooting came little more than a year after a March 2021 attack at a King Soopers grocery in Boulder, Colorado, that killed 10 people. Investigators have not released any information about why they believe the man charged in that attack targeted the supermarket.

At the scene in Buffalo on Saturday afternoon, police closed off an entire block, lined by spectators,

and yellow police taped surrounded the full parking lot. Braedyn Kephart and Shane Hill, both 20, pulled into the parking lot just as the shooter was exiting.

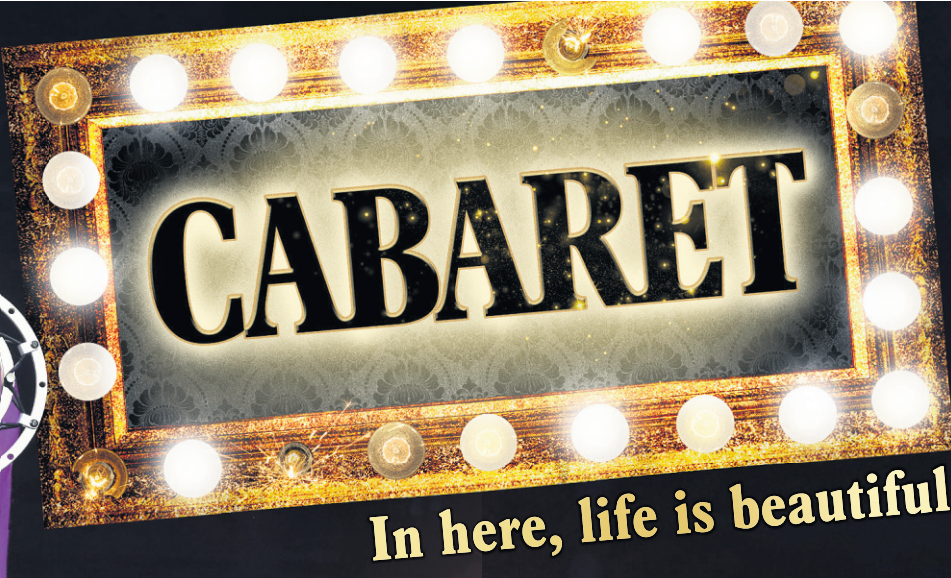
“He was standing there with the gun to his chin. We were like what the heck is going on?” Kephart said.

Tops Friendly Markets released a statement saying, “We are shocked and deeply saddened by this senseless act of violence and our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families.”

At the White House, Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said President Joe Biden was receiving updates on the shooting and the investigation and had offered prayers with the first lady for the victims and their loved ones.

Attorney General Merrick Garland was also briefed on the shooting, Justice Department spokesperson Anthony Coley said.





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Post-Roe future sparks mass rallies

Anger, defiance in air nationwide over looming decision

By Ashraf Khalil and David Sharp
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Abortion-rights supporters demonstrating at hundreds of marches and rallies Saturday expressed their outrage that the Supreme Court will soon scrap the constitutional right to abortion that has endured for nearly a half-century and their fear about what that could mean for women's reproductive choices.

Incensed after a leaked draft opinion suggested the court's conservative majority would overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade ruling, activists spoke of the need to mobilize quickly because Republican-led states are poised to enact tighter restrictions.

In the nation's capital, thousands gathered in drizzly weather at the Washington Monument to listen to fiery speeches before marching to the Supreme Court, which was surrounded by two layers of security fences.

The mood was one of anger and defiance, three days after the Senate failed to muster enough votes to codify Roe v. Wade.

"I can't believe that at my age, I'm still having to protest over this," said Samantha Rivers, a 64-year-old federal government employee who is preparing for a state-by-state battle over abortion rights.

Caitlin Loehr, 34, of Washington, wore a black T-shirt with an image of the late Supreme Court Justice Ruth



Abortion-rights demonstrators rally at the Texas State Capitol in Austin, Texas. JAY JANNER/AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN

Bader Ginsburg's "dissent" collar on it and a necklace that spelled out "vote."

"I think that women should have the right to choose what to do with their bodies and their lives. And I don't think banning abortion will stop abortion. It just makes it unsafe and can cost a woman her life," Loehr said.

A half-dozen anti-abortion demonstrators sent out a countering message, with Jonathan Darnel shouting into a microphone, "Abortion is not health care, folks, because pregnancy is not an illness."

From Pittsburgh to Los Angeles, and Nashville,

Tennessee, to Lubbock, Texas, tens of thousands participated in "Bans Off Our Bodies" events. Organizers expected that among the hundreds of events, the largest would take place in Chicago, New York, Los Angeles and other big cities.

"If it's a fight they want, it's a fight they'll get," Rachel Carmona, executive director of the Women's March, said before the march.

Polls show that most Americans want to preserve access to abortion — at least in the earlier stages of pregnancy — but the Supreme Court appeared to be poised to let the states have the final say. If that happens, roughly

half of states, mostly in the South and Midwest, are expected to quickly ban abortion.

The battle was personal for some protesters.

Teisha Kimmons, who traveled 80 miles to attend the Chicago rally, said she fears for women in states that are ready to ban abortion. She said she might not be alive today if she had not had a legal abortion when she was 15.

"I was already starting to self-harm and I would have rather died than have a baby," said Kimmons, a massage therapist from Rockford, Illinois.

At that rally, speaker after

speaker said that if abortion is banned, the rights of immigrants, minorities and others will also be "gutted," as Amy Eshleman, wife of Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot put it.

"This has never been just about abortion. It's about control," Eshleman told the crowd of thousands. "My marriage is on the menu and we cannot and will not let that happen."

In New York, thousands of people gathered in Brooklyn's courthouse plaza before a march across the Brooklyn Bridge to lower Manhattan for another rally.

"We're here for the women who can't be here,

and for the girls who are too young to know what is ahead for them," Angela Hamlet, 60, of Manhattan, said to the backdrop of booming music.

Robin Seidon, who traveled from Montclair, New Jersey, for the rally, said the nation was at a place abortion rights supporters have long feared.

"They've been nibbling at the edges, and it was always a matter of time before they thought they had enough power on the Supreme Court, which they have now," said Seidon, 65.

The upcoming high court ruling in a case from Mississippi stands to energize voters, potentially shaping the upcoming midterm elections.

In Texas, which has a strict law banning many abortions, the challenger to one of the last anti-abortion Democrats in Congress marched in San Antonio.

Jessica Cisneros joined demonstrators just days before early voting begins in her primary runoff against U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, which could be one of the first tests over whether the court leak will galvanize voters.

At many of the rallies, speakers put the issue in stark terms, saying women and girls will die if abortions are outlawed.

In Los Angeles, high-profile lawyer Gloria Allred recounted how she could not get a legal abortion after being raped at gunpoint in the 1960s.

She ended up having life-threatening bleeding after an illegal "back-alley" abortion.

"I want you to vote as though your lives depend on it, because they do," she told the crowd.

Formula shortage offers GOP new attack strategy

Blaming Biden for issue seen as way to influence voters

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Republicans aiming to retake control of Congress have already sharpened a message centering around blaming Democrats for high inflation, expensive gas, migrants crossing the U.S.-Mexico border and violent crime in some cities.

But GOP leaders landed on an issue last week that it hopes could prove even more potent: tying President Joe Biden to a shortage in baby formula.

Parents are suddenly running into bare supermarket and pharmacy shelves in part because of ongoing supply disruptions and a recent safety recall. But in an election year that was already shaping up to be rocky for Democrats, Republicans sense that the shortage could prove to be an especially tangible way to argue that Biden is incapable of quickly solving problems confronting the U.S.

"This is not a Third World country," said GOP Rep. Elise Stefanik of New York, the chair of the House

Republican conference. "This should never happen in the United States of America."

The administration has sometimes been slow in responding to sudden political threats, perhaps most notably when signs of inflation began to surface last year. The White House appears determined not to repeat that mistake, announcing Friday that formula maker Abbott Laboratories committed to give rebates through August for a food stamp-like program that helps women, infants and children.

Asked if his administration had responded as quickly as it should have, Biden said, "If we'd been better mind readers, I guess we could've. But we moved as quickly as the problem became apparent."

The defense by the White House illustrates how finger-pointing at the Biden administration has already spread far and wide among Republicans in Washington, on television and on social media. It's a new issue for the GOP to hammer at and a way to address families at a time when Democrats believe outrage over the U.S. Supreme Court possibly ending the right to an abortion could galvanize women

and other key voters, and blunt a Republican wave in November.

The full-court press by Republicans included linking the formula shortage with the rising number of migrants coming into the U.S. Rep. Kat Cammack, R-Florida, shared an image Thursday of a shelving unit at a U.S. Border Patrol facility in Texas containing four boxes full of baby formula containers and a half-dozen more formula containers.

Cammack said a border patrol agent sent her the image. The AP has not independently verified the photo's authenticity or when exactly it was captured. Some conservative pundits and news outlets have since spun even greater tall tales from the photo, with some claiming that they show Biden is shipping "thousands" of pallets of baby formula to the border.

White House Press Secretary Jen Psaki said Friday that the Border Patrol is "following the law" that requires the government to provide adequate food, specifically formula for children under the age of one, detained at the border.

In Washington, lawmakers are responding to the shortage by scheduling hearings and demanding



Technicians Welney Huang, right, and Nguyen Nguyen process breast milk at the University of California Health Milk Bank in San Diego on Friday. The formula shortage has sparked a surge of interest among moms in donating breast milk to help bridge the supply gap. GREGORY BULL/AP

information from the FDA and formula makers as part of sweeping investigations. Democratic leaders of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform wrote formula makers seeking information that includes what steps they are taking to increase supplies and prevent price gouging.

A letter to Chris Calamari, the president of Abbott Nutrition, seeks all documents related to the closure of its plant in Sturgis, Michigan. Abbott Nutrition recalled several major brands of powdered formula

and shut down the factory when federal officials began investigating four babies who suffered bacterial infections after consuming formula from the facility.

Abbott is one of only a handful of companies that produce the vast majority of the U.S. formula supply, so their recall wiped out a large segment of the market.

Democrats are framing the shortage as an example of how Americans are harmed when a few big companies control the market. But like inflation or high gas prices, their

challenge is explaining the contributing factors to the public.

Sen. Mark Kelly of Arizona said supply chain problems with formula, microchips, gasoline and other goods have complex roots, many that stretch back to the pandemic.

"It's up for us in Congress to address these, to try to figure out where to go, how do we overcome these bottlenecks in the supply chains," Kelly said. "But not because of an election. Because this affects people's lives."

Putin to Finland: NATO membership would 'negatively' affect relations

By Jari Tanner
Associated Press

HELSINKI — Russian President Vladimir Putin warned his Finnish counterpart Saturday that relations between the two neighbors could be "negatively affected" if Finland follows through with plans to apply for NATO membership.

The Kremlin's press service said in a statement that Putin told Sauli Niinisto that Finland's abandonment "of its traditional policy of

military neutrality would be an error since there are no threats to Finland's security."

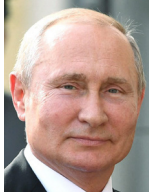
The response came after Niinisto told Putin in a phone conversation that the militarily non-aligned Nordic country, which has a complex history with its huge eastern neighbor, "will decide to apply for NATO membership in the coming days."

Niinisto's office said in a statement that the Finnish head of state told Putin how

starkly Finland's security environment had changed after Moscow's Feb. 24 invasion of Ukraine, and pointed to Russia's demands for Finland to refrain from seeking membership of the 30-nation Western military alliance.

"The discussion (with Putin) was straightforward and unambiguous and was held without exaggeration. Avoiding tensions was considered important," said Niinisto, Finland's president since 2012 and one of

a handful of Western leaders who has been in regular dialogue with the Russian president over the course of the past decade. Niinisto pointed out that he had already told Putin at their first meeting in 2012 that "each independent nation would maximize its own security."



Putin



Niinisto

Niinisto stressed that Finland, despite its likely future membership in NATO, wants to

continue to deal with Russia bilaterally in "practical issues generated by the border neighborhood" and hopes to engage with Moscow "in a professional manner."

Finland shares an

830-mile border with Russia, the longest by any European Union member.

A formal announcement from Niinisto and Prime Minister Sanna Marin regarding Finland's intention to apply for NATO membership is expected Sunday.

Also Sunday, neighboring Sweden is set to decide on its NATO stance at a meeting of the governing Social Democratic Party led by Prime Minister Magdalena Andersson.

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WAR IN UKRAINE

Ukraine: Russians exiting Kharkiv

GOP delegation led by McConnell meets Zelenskyy

By Oleksandr Stashevskiy and David Keyton Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Russian troops were withdrawing from around Ukraine’s second-largest city after bombarding it for weeks, the Ukrainian military said Saturday, as Kyiv and Moscow’s forces engaged in a grinding battle for the country’s eastern industrial heartland.

Ukraine’s military said the Russian forces were pulling back from the northeastern city of Kharkiv and focusing on guarding supply routes, while launching mortar, artillery and airstrikes in the eastern province of Donetsk in order to “deplete Ukrainian forces and destroy fortifications.”

Defense Minister Oleksii Reznikov said Ukraine was “entering a new — long-term — phase of the war.”

In a show of support, a U.S. Senate delegation led by Minority Leader Mitch McConnell met with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy on Saturday in Kyiv. A video posted on Zelenskyy’s Telegram account showed McConnell, who represents Kentucky, and fellow Republican senators Susan Collins of Maine, John Barrasso of Wyoming and John Cornyn of Texas greeting him.

Their trip came after Kentucky’s other senator, Rand Paul, blocked until this week Senate approval of an additional \$40 billion to help Ukraine and its allies withstand Russia’s three-month-old invasion.

After failing to capture Kyiv following the Feb. 24 invasion, Russian President Vladimir Putin has shifted his focus eastward to the Donbas, an industrial region where Ukraine has battled Moscow-backed separatists since 2014.

The offensive aims to encircle Ukraine’s most experienced and best-equipped troops, who are deployed in the east, and to seize parts of the Donbas that remain in Ukraine’s control.



Ukrainian National Guard soldiers inspect a basement Saturday in a village on the outskirts of Kharkiv. BERNAT ARMANGUE/AP

Airstrikes and artillery barrages make it extremely dangerous for journalists to move around in the east, hindering efforts to get a full picture of the fighting. But it appears to be a back-and-forth slog without major breakthroughs on either side.

Russia has captured some Donbas villages and towns, including Rubizhne, which had a prewar population of around 55,000.

Zelenskyy said Ukraine’s forces have also made progress in the east, retaking six towns or villages in the past day. In his nightly address Saturday, he said “the situation in Donbas remains very difficult” and Russian troops were “still trying to come out at least somewhat victorious.”

“Step by step,” Zelenskyy the president said, “we are forcing the occupants to leave the Ukrainian land.”

Kharkiv, which is near the Russian border and only 50 miles southwest of Belgorod, Russia, has undergone weeks of intense shelling. The largely Russian-speaking city with a prewar population of 1.4 million was a key military objective earlier in the war, when Moscow hoped to capture and hold major cities.

Ukraine “appears to have won the Battle of Kharkiv,” the Institute for the Study of War, a Washington-based think tank, said. “Ukrainian forces prevented Russian troops from encircling, let alone seizing Kharkiv, and then expelled them from around the city, as they did to Russian forces attempting to seize Kyiv.”

Regional Gov. Oleh Sinegubov said via the Telegram messaging app that there had been no shelling attacks on Kharkiv in the past day.

He added that Ukraine launched a counteroffensive near Izyum, a city some 80 miles south of Kharkiv that has been held by Russia since at least the beginning of April.

Fighting was fierce on the Siverskyi Donets River near the city of Severodonetsk, where Ukraine has launched counterattacks but failed to halt Russia’s advance, said Oleh Zhdanov, an independent Ukrainian military analyst.

“The fate of a large portion of the Ukrainian army is being decided — there are about 40,000 Ukrainian soldiers,” he said.

However, Russian forces suffered heavy losses in a Ukrainian attack that destroyed a pontoon bridge they were using to try to cross the same river in the town of Bilohorivka, Ukrainian and British officials said.

Britain’s defense ministry said Russia lost “significant armored maneuver elements” of at least one battalion tactical group in the attack. A Russian battalion tactical group consists of about 1,000 troops.

The ministry said the risky river crossing was a sign of “the pressure the Russian commanders are under to make progress in their operations in eastern Ukraine.”

Meanwhile, Ukrainian fighters holed up in a steel plant in the ruined southern port of Mariupol faced continued attacks on the city’s last stronghold of resistance. Ukrainian Deputy Prime Minister Iryna Vereshchuk said authorities were negotiating the evacuation of 60 severely wounded troops, but Russia had not agreed to the evacuation of all wounded fighters at the steelworks, who number in the hundreds.

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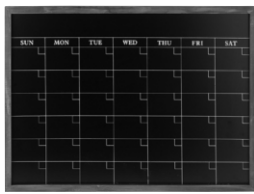
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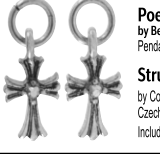
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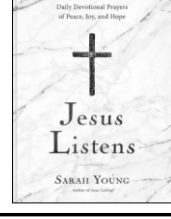


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Widows losing all to virus in Africa

Pandemic's high male death rate exacerbates woes

By Krista Larson and Chinedu Asadu
Associated Press

UMUIDA, Nigeria — As Anayo Mbah went into labor with her sixth child, her husband battled COVID-19 in another hospital across town. Jonas, a young motor-cycle taxi driver, had been placed on oxygen after he started coughing up blood.

Jonas would never meet his daughter, Chinaza. Hours after the birth, Mbah's sister-in-law called to say he was gone. Staff at the hospital in Nigeria soon asked Mbah and her newborn to leave. No one had come to pay her bill.

Anayo began the rites of widowhood at the home where she lived with her in-laws: Her head was shaved, and she was dressed in white clothing. But just weeks into the mourning period that traditionally lasts six months, her late husband's relatives stopped providing food, then confronted her directly.

"They told me that it was better for me to find my own way," Mbah, now 29, said. "They said even if I have to go and remarry, that I should do so. That the earlier I leave the house, the better for me and my children."

She left on foot for her mother's home with only a plastic bag of belongings for Chinaza and her other children. "I decided that I might die if I continue to stay here with my children," she said.

Across Africa, widowhood has long befallen great numbers of women — particularly in the continent's least developed countries where medical facilities are scarce. Many widows are young, having married men decades older. And in some countries, men frequently have more than one wife, leaving several widows behind when they die.



Anayo Mbah, 29, holds one of her children in her home in Umuida, Nigeria, on Feb. 11. Mbah delivered her sixth child the same day she learned her husband died of COVID-19. His family stopped supporting her and sent her away weeks later. **JEROME DELAY/AP**

Now the pandemic has created an even larger population of widows on the continent, with African men more likely to die of the virus than women, and it has exacerbated the issues they face. Women such as Mbah say the pandemic has taken more than their husbands: It has cost them their extended families, their homes and their futures.

Once widowed, women are often mistreated and disinherited. Laws prohibit many from acquiring land or give them only a fraction of their spouse's wealth. In-laws can claim custody of children. Other in-laws disown the children and refuse to help, even if they're the family's only source of money and food. And young widows have no adult children to support them in impoverished communities

with few jobs.

In Nigeria, Africa's most populous nation, some 70 percent of confirmed COVID-19 deaths have been men, according to data tracked by the Sex, Gender and COVID-19 Project. Similarly, more than 70 percent of deaths in Chad, Malawi, Somalia and Congo have been men, according to figures from the project. Other countries likely experienced similar trends but lack the resources to gather detailed figures.

Experts say some of the widows have nothing, while others are pressured to remarry brothers-in-law or be cut off. Widows can start experiencing mistreatment by their in-laws before their husbands are even buried.

"Some are treated as outcasts, accused of being responsible for the death of

their husband," said Egodi Blessing Igwe of WomenAid Collective, which has aided thousands of widows with legal services and family mediation.

In Congo, Vanessa Emedy Kamana had known her husband for a decade before he proposed marriage. She worked for the scholar as a personal assistant. By the time their friendship turned romantic, Godefroid Kamana was in his late 60s; she, a single mother, was in her late 20s.

When he died, relatives came to the family home where Kamana had just begun her period of mourning. Generally, widows are required to stay in their homes and can receive visitors. Mourning lengths vary by religion and ethnic group. Kamana, whose family is Muslim, was supposed to

stay home for four months and 10 days. But her husband's relatives didn't wait that long to force her and her young son out on the street, showing up the night of his burial.

She feared her husband's family would seek custody of her son, Jamel, whom Kamana had adopted and given his surname. Ultimately the relatives did not, because the boy — now 6 — wasn't his biological child. They did, however, move swiftly to amass financial assets.

She and her son now live in a smaller home her mother kept as a rental property. Kamana sells second-hand clothing at a market. She initially received 40% of her late husband's salary; those funds will soon stop entirely.

It's painful, Kamana said,

when her late husband's relatives insist they've lost more than she did: "No one will be able to replace him."

In West Africa, widowhood is particularly fraught in the large swaths where many marriages are polygamous. The first wife or her children usually lay claim to the family home and financial assets.

Saliou Diallo, 35, said she'd have been left with nothing after a decade of marriage had her husband not thought to put her home under her name instead of his. Under Guinean law, a man's multiple wives share a small percentage of his estate, with nearly all of it — 87.5 percent — going to his children.

Diallo's husband, El Hadj, 74, had been building the home just for her and their daughter, 4, when he fell ill.

Diallo already knew the burden of losing a spouse: At 13, she became a second wife, only to be widowed in her early 20s. Then, El Hadj had already had several wives but wanted to marry Diallo and raise her three kids as his own.

They'd spent a decade together before the virus hit El Hadj. In his final conversations with his wife, he lamented that her home didn't have windows yet. That he hadn't lived long enough to build a well so she wouldn't have to carry water on her head. That other relatives would try to chase her off once he was gone.

Family asked Diallo for the papers of the house El Hadj had built for her. She provided photocopies but secretly kept the originals.

Her extended family ultimately helped raise money to put windows on her house. Still, she feels her husband's absence. There's electricity, but no light fixtures. She has just a few plastic chairs as furniture in her unpainted living room.

"I am sure God is saving a surprise for me. I surrender to him," she said. "I keep my faith."



Cadets make their way to their seats at the Air Force Academy's graduation ceremony in Colorado Springs, Colorado. **CHANCEY BUSH/THE GAZETTE 2021**

Lack of vaccine may sideline Air Force cadets, officials say

By Lolita C. Baldor
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Four cadets at the Air Force Academy may not graduate or be commissioned as military officers this month because they have refused the COVID-19 vaccine, and they may be required to pay back thousands of dollars in tuition costs, according to Air Force officials.

It's the only military academy, so far, where cadets may face such penalties. The Army and Navy said that as of now, not one of their seniors is being prevented from graduating at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, or the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, due to vaccine refusals. The graduations are in about two weeks.

Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin last year made the COVID-19 vaccinations mandatory for service members, including those at the military academies, saying the vaccine is critical to maintaining military readiness and the health of the force.

Military leaders have

argued that troops for decades have been required to get as many as 17 vaccines in order to maintain the health of the force, particularly those deploying overseas. Students arriving at the military academies get a regimen of shots on their first day — such as measles, mumps and rubella — if they aren't already vaccinated. And they routinely get regular flu shots in the fall.

Members of Congress, the military and the public have questioned if the exemption reviews by the military services have been fair. There have been multiple lawsuits filed against the mandate, mainly centering on the fact that very few service members have been granted religious exemptions from the shots.

Until the COVID-19 vaccine, very few military members sought religious exemptions to any vaccines.

Lt. Col. Brian Maguire, an Air Force Academy spokesman, said that while vaccination status may hinder the graduation of the four seniors, "there are still two weeks until graduation, so their status could change

as the cadets weigh their options."

According to Maguire, the four cadets — who are not named — have been informed of the potential consequences, and have met with the academy's superintendent.

The military academies for years have required students under certain circumstances to repay tuition costs if they leave during their junior or senior year. Often those involve students with disciplinary issues or similar problems.

West Point said that there are no members of the Class of 2022 who have refused to get the vaccine.

Across the military, the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps have discharged nearly 4,000 active duty service members for refusing the vaccine. According to recent data released by the services, more than 2,100 Marines, 900 sailors, 500 Army soldiers and 360 airmen have been thrown out of the military, and at least 50 were discharged during entry level training, before they moved into active duty service.

Israeli police say they'll probe conduct at journalist's funeral

By Josef Federman
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israeli police decided on Saturday to investigate the conduct of their officers who attacked the funeral of a slain Al Jazeera journalist, causing mourners to briefly drop the casket during the ceremony in Jerusalem.

Police forces beat pallbearers with batons Friday at the start of the funeral procession of Shireen Abu Akleh, who witnesses say was killed by Israeli troops Wednesday during a raid in the occupied West Bank. The Israeli military says Palestinian gunmen were in the area and it's not clear who fired the fatal bullet.

The shocking scenes at the funeral, and the death of the 51-year-old Palestinian American journalist, drew worldwide condemnation and calls for investigations, including from the United States and the United Nations.

In a statement Saturday, the Israeli police said their commissioner has instructed an investigation that would be concluded in the coming days. "The Israel Police supports its police officers, but as a professional organization that seeks to learn and improve, it will also draw lessons from the incident," the statement said.

The police say they used force as hundreds of "rioters tried to sabotage the ceremony and harm the police."

The attack on the funeral added to a sense of grief and outrage that has followed the death of Abu Akleh, a veteran journalist and a household name across the Arab world. They also illustrated the deep sensitivities over east Jerusalem — which is claimed by both Israel and the Palestinians and has sparked repeated violence.

Ahead of the burial, a



Mourners carry the casket of slain Al Jazeera journalist Shireen Abu Akleh on Friday in Jerusalem. Israeli police struck pallbearers with batons. **RONALDO SCHEMIDT/GETTY-AFP**

large crowd gathered to escort her casket from an east Jerusalem hospital to a Catholic church in the nearby Old City. Many of the mourners held Palestinian flags, and the crowd began shouting: "We sacrifice our soul and blood for you, Shireen."

Shortly after, Israel police moved in, pushing and clubbing mourners. As helmeted riot police approached, they hit pallbearers, causing one man to lose control of the casket as it dropped toward the ground. Police ripped Palestinian flags out of people's hands and fired stun grenades to disperse the crowd.

On Friday, Secretary of State Antony Blinken said the U.S. administration was "troubled by the images of Israeli police intruding into the funeral procession" of Abu Akleh. "Every family deserves to lay their loved ones to rest in a dignified and unimpeded manner," he tweeted.

A unanimous condemnation came Friday from the U.N. Security Council, which called in a rare statement for "an immediate,

thorough, transparent and impartial investigation into her killing."

Late Friday, the Palestinian public prosecutor said preliminary findings show Abu Akleh was killed deliberately by Israeli troops. The prosecutor said the investigation would continue. Israel's military said earlier Friday that she was killed during an exchange of fire with Palestinian militants, and that it couldn't determine the source of the shot that killed her.

Israel has called for a joint investigation with the Palestinian Authority, and urged it to hand over the bullet for forensic analysis to determine who fired the fatal round. The PA has refused, saying it will conduct its own investigation and send the results to the International Criminal Court, which is already investigating possible Israeli war crimes.

The PA and Al Jazeera, which has long had a strained relationship with Israel, have accused Israel of deliberately killing Abu Akleh. Israel denies the accusations.

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NEWS BRIEFING

G7 nations ask China not to aid Russia, warn of Ukraine grain crisis

From news services

WEISSENHAUS, Germany — The Group of Seven leading economies warned Saturday that the war in Ukraine is stoking a global food and energy crisis which threatens poor countries, and urgent measures are needed to unblock stores of grain that Russia is preventing from leaving Ukraine.

German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock, who hosted a meeting of top G-7 diplomats, said the war had become a “global crisis.”

She said up to 50 million people, particularly in Africa and the Middle East, would face hunger in the coming months unless ways are found to release Ukrainian grain, which accounts for a sizable share of the world-wide supply.

In statements released at the end of the three-day meeting on Germany’s Baltic Sea coast, the G-7 pledged to provide further humanitarian aid to the most vulnerable.

“Russia’s war of aggression has generated one of the most severe food and energy crises in recent history which now threatens those most vulnerable across the globe,” the group said.

Canada’s foreign minister, Melanie Joly, said her country, another major agricultural exporter, stands ready to send ships to European ports so Ukrainian grain can be brought to those in need.

“We need to make sure that these cereals are sent to the world,” she told reporters. “If not, millions of people will be facing famine.”

Russia dismissed the claim that it was responsible for worsening global hunger and driving up food prices.

“Prices are rising because of sanctions imposed by the West under pressure of the USA,” said Russian Foreign

Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova. “Failure to understand this is a sign either of stupidity or intentional misleading of the public.”

The G-7 nations also called on China not to help Russia, including by undermining international sanctions or justifying Moscow’s actions in Ukraine.

The G-7 urged China “to desist from engaging in information manipulation, disinformation and other means to legitimize Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine.”

The grouping, which comprises Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United States, also reiterated its stance that the territories seized by Russian forces need to be returned to Ukraine.

Virus surging: South Africa is experiencing a surge of new COVID-19 cases driven by two omicron sub-variants, according to health experts.

For about three weeks the country has seen increasing numbers of new cases and somewhat higher hospitalizations, but not increases in severe cases and deaths, said Professor Marta Nunes, a researcher at Vaccine and Infectious Diseases Analytics at Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto.

“We’re still very early in this increase period, so I don’t want to really call it a wave,” Nunes said. “We are seeing a slight, a small increase in hospitalizations and really very few deaths.”

South Africa’s new cases have gone from an average of 300 per day in early April to about 8,000 per day last week. Nunes says the actual number of new cases is probably much higher because the symptoms are mild and many who get sick are not getting tested.



Lebanese army soldiers patrol a street in Beirut on Saturday, one day before scheduled parliamentary elections. The vote is the first since Lebanon started sliding into economic meltdown in October 2019, triggering widespread anti-government protests against a corrupt ruling class in place since the country’s 15-year civil war ended in 1990. BILAL HUSSEIN/AP

New UAE leader: Rulers in the United Arab Emirates on Saturday unanimously appointed Abu Dhabi’s Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan as the autocratic nation’s president, signaling both unity and stability in this key energy-rich country that hosts Western militaries.

The ascension of Sheikh Mohammed, 61, had been expected after the death Friday of his half-brother and the UAE’s president, Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, at the age of 73. The transition of power marks only the third time this U.S.-allied nation of seven sheikhdoms has selected a president since becoming an independent nation in 1971.

Under Sheikh Mohammed, who has been the nation’s de facto leader since Sheikh Khalifa suffered a stroke in 2014, the UAE had tried to project power militarily across the wider region as it joined a Saudi-led war in Yemen.

But since the lockdowns

due to the coronavirus pandemic, Sheikh Mohammed and the wider UAE has tried to recalibrate its approach by largely pulling out of the war and seeking diplomatic detentes with rivals.

Transgender law blocked: A federal judge on Friday blocked part of an Alabama law making it a felony to prescribe gender-affirming puberty blockers and hormones to transgender minors.

U.S. District Judge Liles Burke issued a preliminary injunction to stop the state from enforcing the medication ban, which took effect May 8, while a lawsuit goes forward. The ruling was a victory for families and groups that challenged the first-of-its-kind law as an illegal intrusion into family and medical decisions.

Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey called the ruling a “temporary legal roadblock.” The state’s attorney general indicated he will appeal.

Arrests after India fire: Police arrested two owners of a company that manufactures and sells security cameras after a massive fire reportedly started in their office in a four-story commercial building in the Indian capital New Delhi, killing 27 people and injuring 12 others, police and fire officials said Saturday.

The police registered a case of culpable homicide not amounting to murder and a criminal conspiracy punishable with life imprisonment or 10 years in jail.

The building had no clearance from the fire department and it was not equipped with fire safety equipment, said Atul Garg, director of Delhi Fire Services.

Garg said the fire started on the first floor of the building Friday evening and spread quickly to other areas.

All 27 bodies were recovered from the second floor, where people attending a motivational meeting were

engulfed in the flames, Garg said.

Oil spill settlement: The owner of an oil pipeline that spewed thousands of barrels of crude oil onto Southern California beaches in 2015 agreed Friday to pay \$230 million to settle a class-action lawsuit brought by fishermen and property owners, court documents show.

Plains All American Pipeline agreed to pay \$184 million to fishermen and fish processors and \$46 million to coastal property owners, according to court documents.

The company didn’t admit liability in the agreement, which still needs federal court approval.

“This settlement should serve as a reminder that pollution just can’t be a cost of doing business, and that corporations will be held accountable for environmental damage they cause,” said Matthew Preusch, one of the attorneys who represented the plaintiffs.

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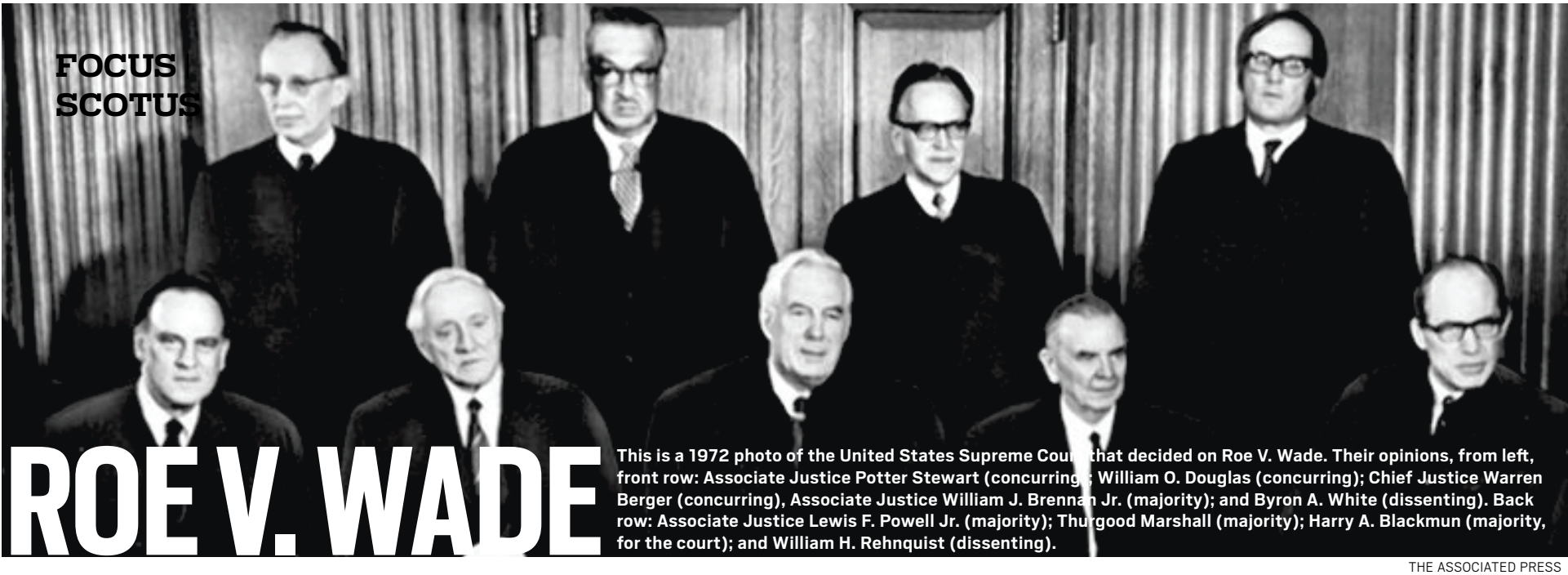
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On May 2, there was a breach of Supreme Court confidentiality and secrecy when Politico obtained a draft of a majority opinion written by Justice Samuel Alito that would overturn Roe v. Wade’s holding of a federal constitutional right to an abortion.

By KURT SNIBBE | Southern California News Group

The opinion given to Politico in the case is not expected to be published until late June. The court confirms the authenticity of the document on May 3 but stresses it is not the final decision.

A brief timeline

June 1970: A Texas district court ruled that the state’s abortion ban was illegal because it violated a constitutional right to privacy. Roe is actually Norma McCorvey, who went to court against Henry Wade, the district attorney of Dallas County. Wade declared he’d continue to prosecute doctors who performed abortions. The case eventually was appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. McCorvey gave birth and put the child up for adoption.

1971: The Supreme Court agrees to hear the case filed by Roe against Wade. Wade was ignoring the legal ruling and both sides appealed.

Dec. 13, 1971: The case is argued before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Oct. 11, 1972: The case is reargued before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Jan. 22, 1973: The U.S. Supreme Court, in a 7-2 decision, affirms the legality of a woman’s right to have an abortion under the 14th Amendment to the Constitution.

The 1973 decision by the court

The court divided pregnancy into three trimesters and declared that the choice to end a pregnancy in the first trimester was solely up to the woman. In the second trimester, the government could regulate abortion, although not ban it, in order to protect the mother’s health.

In the third trimester, the state could prohibit abortion to protect a fetus that could survive on its own outside the womb, except when a woman’s health was in danger.

What’s the 14th Amendment

The 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified in 1868 during the Reconstruction era to abolish slavery and establish civil and legal rights for Black Americans. The third clause, “nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law,” expanded the due process clause of the Fifth Amendment to apply to the states as well as the federal government.

Over time, the Supreme Court has interpreted this clause to guarantee a wide array of rights against infringement by the states, as well as the right to privacy and other fundamental rights not mentioned elsewhere in the Constitution.



McCorvey in 1989

Changing sides

In 1997, McCorvey started Roe No More, an anti-abortion outreach organization that was dissolved in 2008. She was received into the Catholic Church in 1998.

In 2003, McCorvey filed a motion with the federal district court in Dallas to have the case overturned and asked the court to consider new evidence that abortion hurts women. The motion is dismissed in 2004.

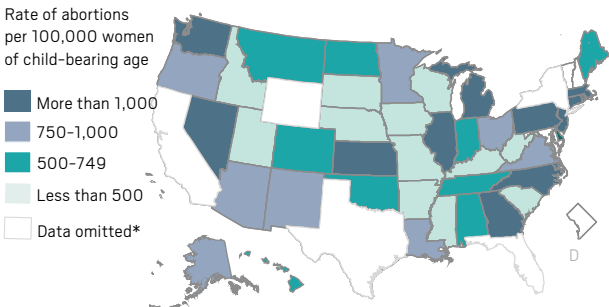
Shortly before her death on Feb. 18, 2017, McCorvey was interviewed for the documentary “AKA Jane Roe,” which was released in 2020. McCorvey told the film’s director that she hadn’t changed her mind about abortion but became an anti-abortion activist because she was being paid.

There are conflicting views of how she felt about the issue from many sources.

Today’s arguments

The leaked documents were from the case of Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization about the constitutionality of a 2018 Mississippi state law that bans most abortion procedures after the first 15 weeks of pregnancy. Lower courts have prevented enforcement of the law with preliminary injunctions.

Oral arguments before the Supreme Court were held in December 2021. A final decision is expected in June or July. Currently, six of the nine Supreme Court Justices are conservatives.

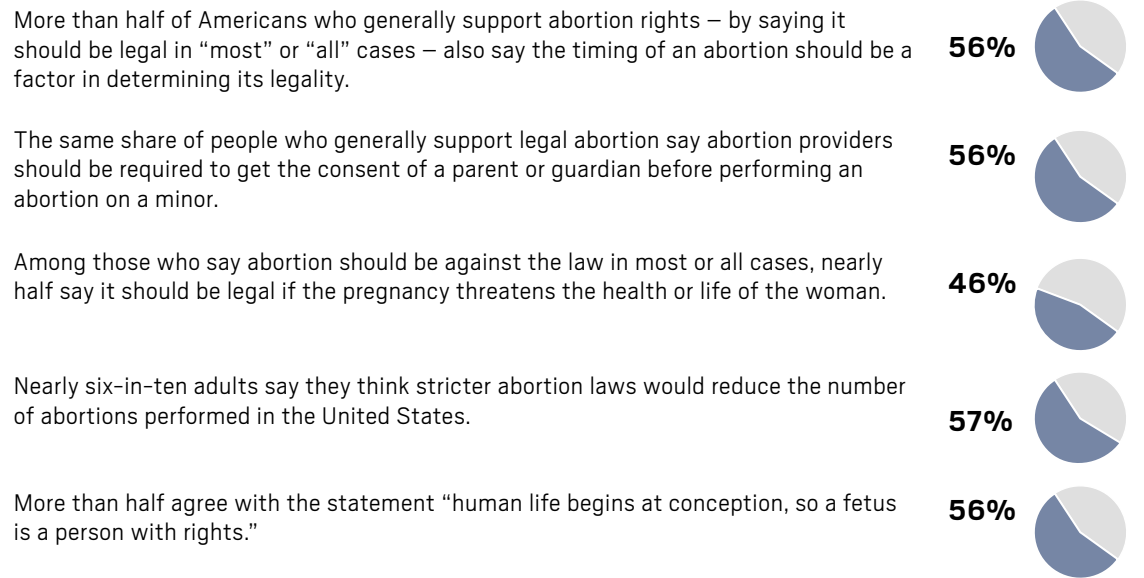
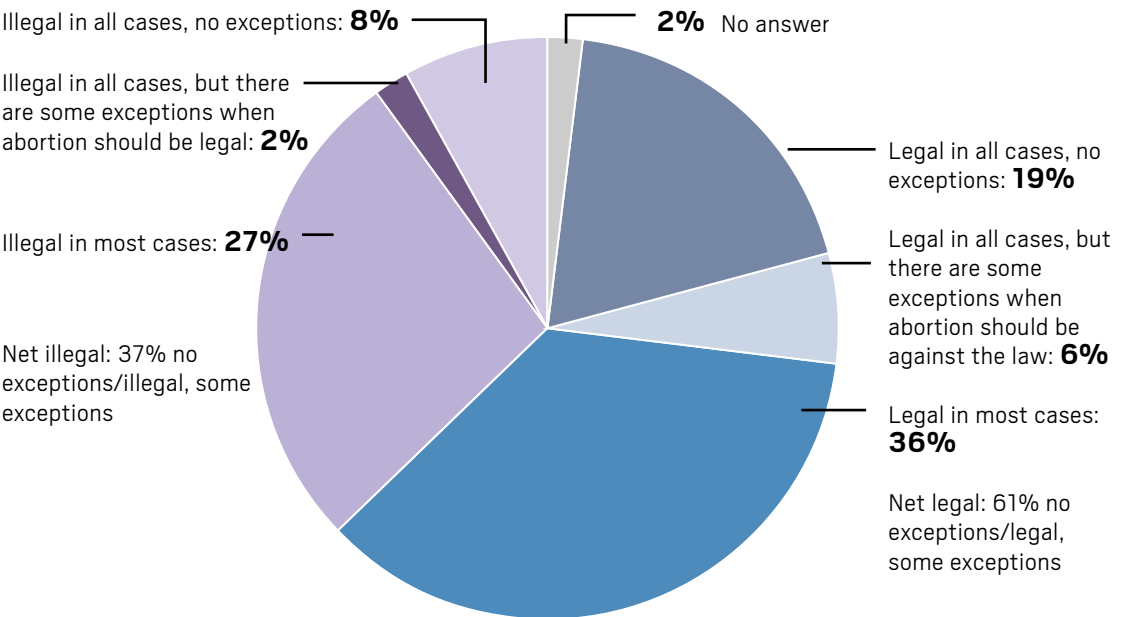


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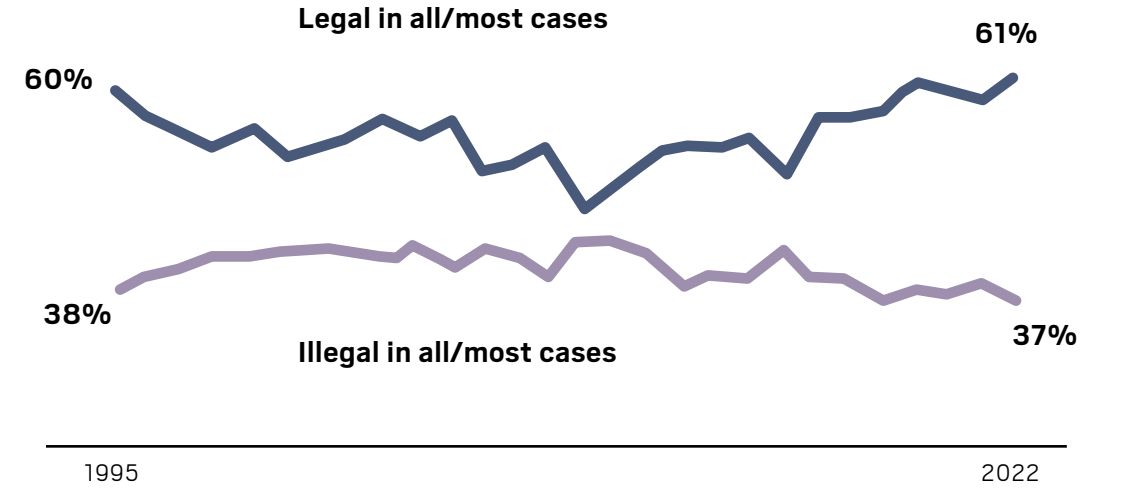
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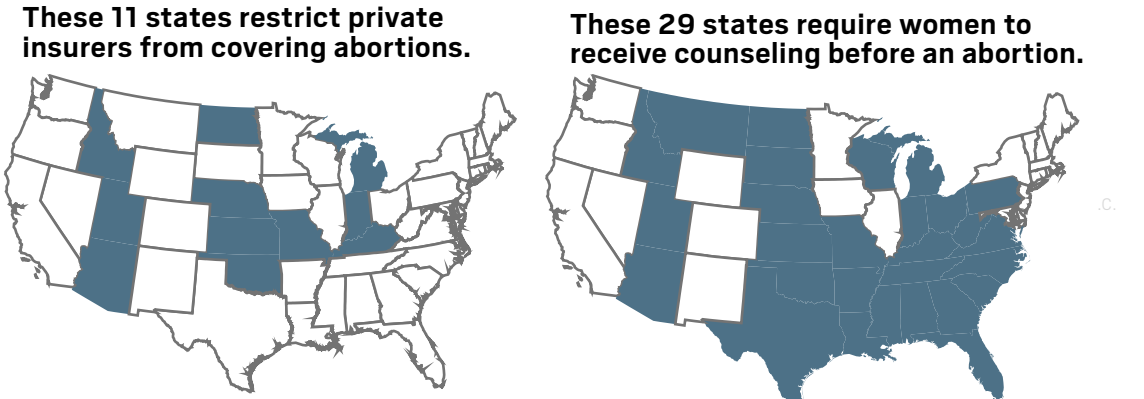
The chart below is from a Pew Research Center survey conducted March 7-13. Percentage of U.S. adults who say abortion should be ...



Public views have remained relatively stable in recent years.

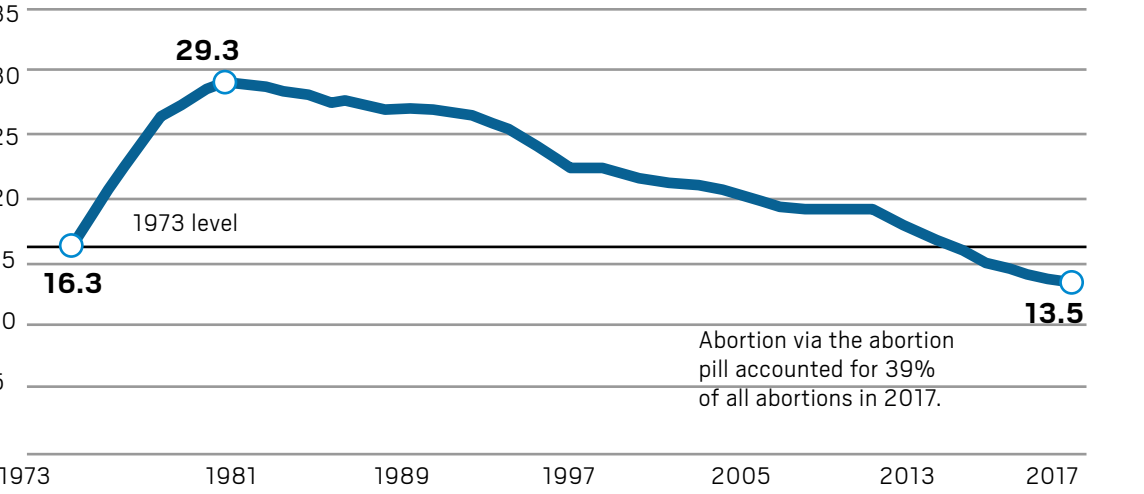


The following statistics are from the Guttmacher Institute, which was founded in 1968 as research and policy organization committed to advancing sexual and reproductive health and rights worldwide.



In 2017, clinics provided the majority (95%) of U.S. abortions, while private physicians' offices and hospitals accounted for 5%. In 2017, the number of specialized abortion clinics — those in which at least half of patient visits were for abortion services — declined, while the number of nonspecialized clinics increased. These figures do not factor in self-managed cases.

Number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44



New York Times Crossword

TWO-BY-TWO

BY MATTHEW STOCK AND CHANDI DEITMER / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Matthew Stock works for a math-education nonprofit in East St. Louis, Ill. Chandi Deitmer, of Cambridge, Mass., is a social worker in the fields of psychiatry and geriatrics. Matthew was making a themeless puzzle a few years ago, and his constructing software suggested 41-Across and 49-Across in adjacent spots. That didn't work out, but he tucked the thought away. A fan of Chandi's last Times crossword, he asked if she'd like to collaborate on this one. — W.S.

- ACROSS**

1 Some old PCs

5 Experience financial ruin

11 Many files in a Downloads folder

15 Talk _____

19 1990s sitcom starring Tia and Tamera Mowry

22 Beethoven's "Ah! perfido," for one

23 Southwest people known for their dry farming

24 Grand Prix city

25 Fulminate

26 Portent

27 Start a web session

28 Tribute

30 Many zoomers

31 Gush (over)

33 Red lightsaber wielder

36 Singular praise

37 _____ Xtra (soft drink)

38 Soul: Sp.

39 Make it so there's snow way out?

41 1963 hit for the Kingsmen

45 It gets the show on the road

48 Nothing but a number, it's said

49 Call from an old-time paperboy

50 Essayist Susan

51 Attraction, so to speak, with "the"

53 Org. often impersonated by phone scammers

54 Time for a visit from Ong Tao, the "Kitchen God"

55 Slip up

56 Yellowstone sight

58 [Gulp!]

59 House of Commons reps

61 _____ gratia (in all kindness: Lat.)

62 Rush order

64 Like some questions

66 Romanov V.I.P., once

68 Charlotte N.B.A. player
- 70 "... you get the point"

74 "Well, lookie here!"

75 Quaint exclamation of dismay

78 Fee payer, often

79 Thin pancakes in Indian cuisine

80 Laborer of old

84 Dan of "Schitt's Creek"

85 To the _____ power

86 Time for March madness?

88 Ultimate fighting init.

90 Certain summer baby

91 "There you _____!"

92 Big tower, for short?

94 Years and years

95 Shock

97 Sings, in a way

101 When you should leave, for short

103 Piece of roller-derby equipment

104 Classic-joke start

105 High five at the Olympics?

107 Unchanged

108 Yea or nay

109 Power source

111 Barfly's flier

112 Added to a thread, say

113 El _____ of the Spanish Renaissance

115 "Amscray!"

117 Egomaniac's thought

119 Noted character with object-subject-verb syntax

120 Dangerous part of a road on which to pass

121 Extroverts

127 Tie down

128 Best-picture winner of 2012

129 Basketball feat suggested by this puzzle's pairs of theme answers, informally
- 130 1040 figs.

131 Love of languages?

132 In on

133 Add (on)

DOWN

1 Philosophy

2 H.S. class in the same department as chem

3 Yahoo alternative

4 Trusty to the end

5 Pirate's booze

6 One way to learn

7 Like the Six Million Dollar Man

8 "Anchors Aweigh" grp.

9 Amtrak stop: Abbr.

10 Lab worker

11 Logical conundrum

12 Prolong

13 Numismatic grade

14 Plopped (down)

15 Setting for many a diorama

16 Shortcut missing from newer smartphones

17 Lead

18 Affixes

20 Subject of interest, in brief

21 Chess piece whose name is derived from the Persian for "chariot"

29 Cocktails made with ginger beer, informally

30 Pieces in the game

31 Banagrams

32 Flights connect them

33 All-encompassing Egyptian deity

34 Aromatic beverage

35 Perch for the self-important

37 Gemstone cut named for a fruit

38 Baffled

40 Very bright

42 Eye piece

43 Nobelist Joliot-Curie

44 Really get to Sweetie

46 Weep in an unflattering way, in modern lingo

52 Lugs

57 Hold on to

58 Lunchtime estimate

59 Computer shortcuts

60 Slices and dices, say

61 Scottish hillsides

63 Annoying

65 Walk with swagger

67 It might get swiped in a college dining hall

68 Football trophy name

69 Where some replacements take place, in brief

71 Third column on a calendar: Abbr.

72 Eaglet's hatching spot

73 Certain public transport

75 Sound from a jalopy

76 Played again

77 Words from an ex-lover

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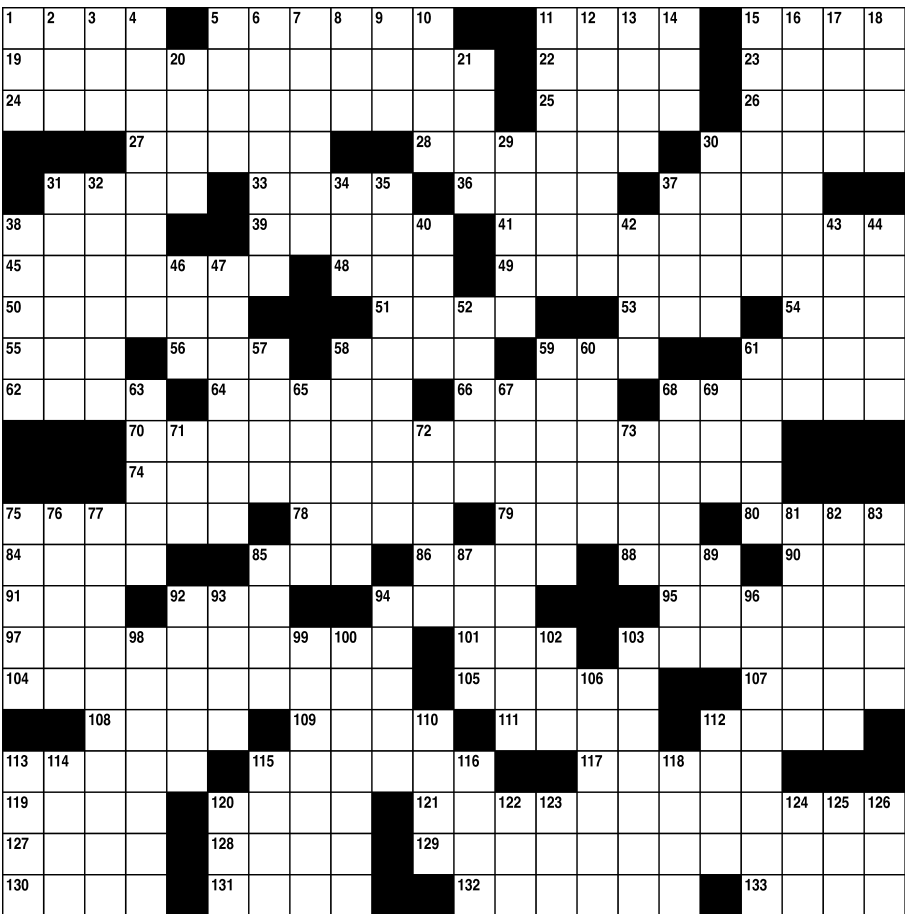
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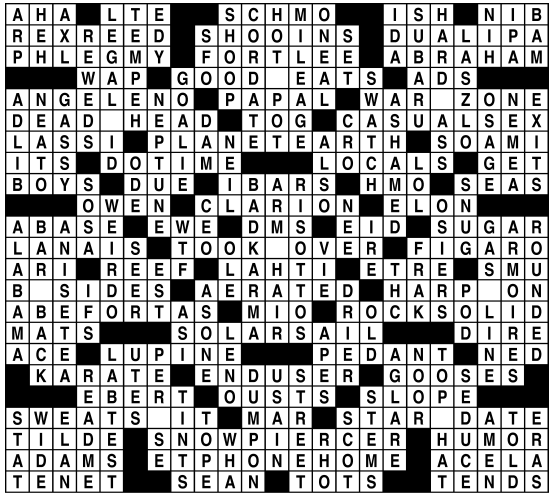
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- 114 Aussie hoppers
- 115 Kernel of an idea
- 116 "Ouch, ouch, ouch!"
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Venture capital fund dives into edibles

Connecticut Innovations reaches into growing cannabis market with \$1.25 million investment

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

Connecticut’s venture capital fund is among the first institutional investors to jump into the growing cannabis business, committing \$1.25 million to a manufacturer of edibles intended to enhance energy, focus and mental health. Connecticut Innovations,

which has more than 200 portfolio companies and \$300 million in assets under management, invested in 1906 New Highs, which makes pills that combine “moderately dosed cannabis” with medicinal plants. Connecticut Innovations invests in sustainable technology, or greentech, consumer and health care products, tech compa-

nies and venture funds with the goal of creating jobs in Connecticut. It’s taking a new direction into cannabis, viewing 1906 New Highs as an emerging area, said Lauren Carmody, vice president of marketing and communications. “We like the science behind it,” she said. “It could open the door for other entrepreneurs.” 1906 New Highs’ products are focused on energy, cognitive focus, mental health and happiness and are alternatives to alcohol and pharmaceuticals, according to

the company. Founder and Chief Executive Officer Peter Barsoom said products are not targeted for depression, which is a clinical condition. According to the company, the pills promise “fast action” and “precision highs” to deliver a range of benefits, including greater energy and focus from plant medicines and caffeine; euphoria-inducing plant medicines to promote happiness; and an aphrodisiac to boost intimacy and arousal. For 1906 New Highs, which

employs 80 workers, the Connecticut Innovations investment is a “huge milestone,” Barsoom said. The industry has attracted few institutional investors as many are waiting for Congress and the president to change federal law listing marijuana as a controlled substance. The privately-held company, founded in 2015, said it gets its name referencing 1906 for the last time cannabis was “widely

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Yahaira Escribano, Hartford Land Bank finance and programs officer, explains the process and significance of restoring 103 Earle St. in Hartford on Friday at a ribbon-cutting for the property. TED GLANZER PHOTOS/HARTFORD COURANT

READY TO ‘LIFT THE NEIGHBORHOOD UP’

Renovated, 100-year-old Hartford Land Bank home now set to welcome tenants

By Ted Glanzer
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — For at least 15 years, the three-story home at 103 Earle St. was an eyesore — a rotted blight in the neighborhood that sits in the city’s northeast end. But, after significant investment and work, the 100-year-old building has been restored and will soon welcome tenants due to the efforts of the Hartford Land Bank, private developer Menard “Tex” Sampson and the city. Mayor Luke Bronin, Land Bank Finance and Programs

Officer Yahaira Escribano and Menard were among those to cut the ribbon on Friday for the first of what is hoped to be dozens of similar properties throughout the city. “When you see the before and after pictures, you’ll see that it’s pretty dramatic,” Bronin said of the restored home. “Not only was the facade of the building falling apart and clearly deteriorating, but the building was slanted. It had to go through major stabilization to be usable again.”

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Mayor Luke Bronin, second from right, Land Bank Finance and Programs Officer Yahaira Escribano, far right, and private developer Menard “Tex” Sampson, with scissors, cut the ribbon at 103 Earle St. in Hartford on Friday to mark the property’s restoration.

Formula shortage sparks milk bank interest

Connecticut mom steps up to share hers

By Mike Catalini
and Patt Eaton-Robb
Associated Press

The U.S. baby formula shortage has sparked a surge of interest at milk banks around the U.S. with some mothers offering to donate breast milk and desperate parents

calling to see if it’s a solution to keep their babies fed. It’s a pathway that won’t work for every formula-fed baby, especially those with special dietary needs, and it comes with challenges because the country’s dozens of nonprofit milk banks prioritize feeding medically fragile infants. The organizations collect milk from mothers and process it, including through pasteurization, then work with hospitals to

distribute it. The shortage stemmed from a safety recall and supply disruptions and has captured national attention with panicked parents looking to swap and buy formula online and President Joe Biden urging manufacturers to increase production and discussing with retailers how they could restock shelves to meet regional disparities. Biden’s administration also said Friday that formula maker

Abbott Laboratories committed to give rebates through August for a food stamp-like program called WIC that helps women, infants and children. Parents are also turning to online breastmilk-swapping forums to meet their babies’ needs. Amanda Kastelein, a mother of three from Middlebury, has been supplementing the special

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Lawsuits against Jones set to resume

Sandy Hook families’ actions were delayed by bankruptcy filings

Associated Press

VICTORIA, Texas — The Sandy Hook families’ lawsuits against Infowars host and conspiracy theorist Alex Jones for calling the 2012 Newtown school shooting a hoax appear poised to resume soon, based on agreements revealed Friday in the bankruptcy cases of some of Jones’ companies.

The bankruptcy filings of Infowars, Prison Planet TV and IW Health last month delayed the lawsuits filed in Texas and Connecticut. Jones has already lost the defamation lawsuits, and the filings came a week before a jury in Texas was set to begin considering how much money Jones should pay the families of victims in the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting.

Lawyers in the bankruptcy case said the families will be removed as creditors, and Infowars and Prison Planet TV will be removed as defendants in the Texas and Connecticut defamation cases. The state cases would then continue against Jones and his largest money-making company, Free Speech Systems, neither of which filed for bankruptcy. It was not immediately clear when those cases will resume. The lawyers’ comments came during a hearing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Texas. Kyung Lee, a lawyer for Jones’ companies, said the bankruptcy case will continue because they have other creditors. A hearing, however, remains scheduled for May 27 on whether the bankruptcy case should be dismissed. The Sandy Hook families have questioned the legitimacy of the filings, saying they were meant only to delay the defamation lawsuits — claims Jones’ lawyers deny.

The shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, killed 20 children and six educators. The families of eight of the victims and an FBI agent who responded to the school sued Jones, Infowars and others, saying they have been subjected to harassment and death threats from Jones’ followers because of the hoax conspiracy theory. Jones has since said he believes the shooting did occur.



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formula she needs for 10-month-old Emerson with breast milk from a mom she found on a peer-to-peer Facebook page called Human Milk 4 Human Babies.

Kastelein stopped breastfeeding after getting recurring infections, but tried to begin re-lactating in March after the formula recall, with little success.

“Emerson is allergic to most of the formulas, so it’s been difficult to find something he’s not allergic to,” she said.

In stepped Hannah Breton of Naugatuck, who had been producing more milk than her 2 ½-month-old son needs. She’s been giving Kastelein about 60 ounces of milk every two weeks. That’s enough to supplement her formula supply and keep Emerson fed.

“She asked a bunch of questions — what medications I’m taking, if any, that kind of thing,” Breton said. “So we decided, ‘OK, that’s perfect.’ So, she comes by every couple weeks and picks up the milk I’ve been saving for her.

“I do feel helpful. It’s exciting and rewarding that I can give to a mom that can’t find what she’s looking for, and if her son can’t take formula, I mean, it’s scary.

At the Mothers’ Milk Bank Northeast, based in Newton, Mass., interest in donating and receiving milk because of the shortage has spiked. Typically, the milk bank gets about 30-50 calls a month from people looking to donate. On Thursday alone, 35 calls came in from potential donors, said Deborah Youngblood, the bank’s executive director.

“It’s interesting the first sort of response that we got was from potential donors — so people responding to the formula shortage with sort of an amazing, compassionate response of how can I be part of the solution?” she said.

Youngblood was talking about people like Kayla Gillespie, a 38-year-old mother of three from Hays, Kan. Gillespie first donated to the Mothers’ Milk Bank in Denver six years ago, giving 18 gallons (68 liters) after the birth of her first child, and wasn’t planning to do it again.

“I thought 18 gallons was sufficient for one person,” she said. “If I hadn’t heard of the shortage, I wouldn’t be going through the process again, just because I have three kids and it’s a little chaotic around here.”

She has pledged at least 150 ounces of her milk, but said she expects to give much more than that.

“I’m very blessed with being able to produce milk, so I just felt I needed to do something,” she said.

She said in the past she has shipped her frozen milk in special containers to Denver, but this time, her local hospital is taking the



Elizabeth Amador bottle feeds her daughter Destinee, 9 months, at the Ellis R. Shipp Public Health Center in West Valley City, Utah. President Joe Biden stepped up his administration’s response to a nationwide baby formula shortage that has forced frenzied parents into online groups to swap and sell to each other to keep their babies fed. **RICK BOWMER/AP**

donations and she can just drop them off.

It’s not just donors, though. Parents desperately seeking nutrition for their babies are pursuing milk banks as well.

At the Massachusetts milk bank, about 30 people called looking for milk because they couldn’t find their baby’s usual formula, Youngblood said. That’s up from nearly no calls at all, since the milk bank typically serves hospitals.

The Human Milk Banking Association of North America, an accrediting organization for nonprofit milk banks, is seeing a “major increase” in demand, according to Lindsay Groff, the group’s executive director. She estimates inquiries from parents seeking to fill the formula gap are up 20% in recent days.

Groff called the shortage a “crisis” and said it’s not as simple as parents just supplementing with donated human milk, because the vast majority of those supplies are earmarked for babies with medical conditions.

“If people can donate, now would be the time because when we have more of an inventory we can look beyond the medically fragile,” she said.

Rebecca Heinrich, director of the Mothers’ Milk Bank in Colorado, advises those looking for milk that searching for donors on their own can carry risks.

“We want to make sure that these moms are being as safe as they can and meeting the needs of their infant, so consulting with their health care provider on how to meet those needs is the best way to go,” she said. The shortage creates difficulties partic-

ularly for lower-income families after the recall by formula maker Abbott, stemming from contamination concerns. The recall depleted many brands covered by WIC, a federal program like food stamps serving women, infants and children, though it now permits brand substitutes.

On Friday, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack sent a letter to the head of Abbott Laboratories expressing what he called his “grave concern regarding the accessibility of safe infant formula,” noting Abbott holds infant formula contracts in the federal WIC program. Vilsack asked that Abbott continue a program that provides rebates for alternative products including formula for competitive brands, which it had been doing on a month-to-month basis. The White House said Friday Abbott committed to the rebates through the end of August.

The Biden administration said it’s working with states to make it easier for WIC recipients to buy different sizes of formula that their benefits might not currently cover.

Abbott has said that pending Food and Drug Administration approval, it could restart a manufacturing site “within two weeks.”

The company would begin by producing EleCare, Alimentum and metabolic formulas and then start production of Similac and other formulas. Once production begins, it would take six to eight weeks for the formula to be available on shelves.

On Tuesday, the FDA said it was working with U.S. manufacturers to increase their output and streamline paperwork to allow more imports.

Cannabis

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accepted as a beneficial medicine.”

Gov. Ned Lamont signed legislation last year authorizing the sale of recreational marijuana for adults 21 or older who may purchase and possess up to 1.5 ounces, or up to 5 ounces locked at home or in a vehicle’s glove box or trunk.

The state is now establishing an industry, running lotteries for licenses to grow, distribute, manufacture and sell cannabis.

1906 New Highs is applying for a Connecticut license as a food and beverage business, and if it were to win a license in the general lottery, it would follow though with research and development and manufacturing, Barsoom said. It’s one of 122 general lottery applicants, which he said presents better odds than the 7,245 applicants for retail licenses or 2,945 grower applications.

If he were to fall short in the lottery, Barsoom said he would find another way to establish a manufacturing operation. The company is not competing in the Social Equity Council Lottery that was established to promote cannabis business in Black and other underrepresented communities.

What’s lacking is institutional backing that could unleash billions of dollars in investment in cannabis. Businesses cannot get access to capital available at banks that fear losing their federal charters, said Todd Harrison, a founding partner and chief investment officer at CBI Capital, an investment manager specializing in the supply chain of cannabinoid-based wellness products and therapies.

Because of the size and lucrative potential of the cannabis industry, federal law could change this year, he said. He said his view is in the minority.

“Our sense is that this is all going to go away,” Harrison said. “It will take some time. Banking problems will go away this year.”

The U.S. House of Representatives voted in April to decriminalize marijuana at the federal level, but the Senate has yet to act.

Access to capital also is restricted by brokerage firms that have come down against buying cannabis stocks, instead allowing only their sale. The result, Harrison said, is to “push institutions away.”

As much as 96% of owners of U.S. cannabis stocks are individual investors, he said.

Harrison emphasized the medicinal and other beneficial effects of cannabis, a growth industry that can spur employment and investment.

“This is real money. This is real jobs,” he said. “This is about getting well. It’s not about getting high. This is a very good plant.”

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Eversource Energy	ES	78.44	94.63	89.34	-1.06	-1.2	▼	▲	-1.8	10.5	■	10.6	25	2.9					
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	52.10	92.05	88.86	-1.95	-2.1	▲	▲	45.2	49.6	■	4.6	16	4.0					
Ford Motor	F	11.28	25.87	13.50	-0.71	-5.0	▼	▼	-35.0	12.4	■	5.9	3	3.0					
Freeport McMoRan	FCX	30.02	51.99	35.04	-2.84	-7.5	▼	▼	-16.0	-18.6	■	25.1	12	0.9					
FuelCell Energy	FCEL	2.87	12.62	3.52	-0.40	-10.2	▼	▼	-32.3	-58.6	■	-24.2					
Gen Dynamics	GD	182.66	254.99	226.31	-13.29	-5.5	▼	▲	8.6	22.2	■	4.5	20	2.1					
Gen Electric	GE	71.14	116.17	75.05	-3.18	-4.1	▼	▼	-20.6	-28.2	■	-17.7					
Hartford Fn Sv	HIG	59.86	78.17	69.55	-2.56	-3.6	▼	▼	0.7	11.3	■	8.9	10	2.2					
Honeywell Intl	HON	174.42	236.86	193.53	-0.92	-0.5	▼	▲	-7.2	-10.1	■	10.9	24	2.0					
Horizon Tech Fin	HRZN	11.62	19.08	12.06	-0.49	-3.9	▼	▼	-24.2	-14.1	■	9.5	10	10.0					
Infosys Ltd	INFY	17.81	26.39	19.45	-0.40	-2.0	▼	▼	-23.2	11.7	■	22.6	30	...					
Inovio Pharmaceut	INO	1.60	10.33	1.99	-0.67	-25.2	▼	▼	-60.1	-70.2	■	-23.4					
Intel Corp	INTC	42.01	58.42	43.60	-0.70	-1.6	▼	▼	-15.3	-17.5	■	6.8	9	3.3					

COMPANY	TICKER	52-WK RANGE	FRIDAY CLOSE	SCHG 1WK	%CHG 1WK	1MO	1QTR	%CHG 1YR	RANK 1YR	%RTN 5YRS*
Intelsat SA	I	155.72	186.69	176.85	0.00	0.0	■	■	0.4	0.0
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	155.72	186.69	176.85	0.48	0.3	▼	▲	3.4	3.4
Kaman	KAMN	32.54	57.36	33.85	-1.06	-3.0	▼	▼	-21.6	-3.0
Lincoln Natl Corp	LNC	50.55	77.57	54.09	-3.09	-5.4	▼	▼	-20.8	-20.8
MGM Resorts Intl	MGM	33.70	51.17	36.15	-2.16	-5.6	▼	▼	-19.5	-19.5
Meta Platforms Inc	FB	169.00	384.33	198.62	-5.15	-2.5	▼	▼	-40.9	-3.0
MetLife Inc	MET	55.21	73.18	63.42	-3.62	-5.4	▼	▼	1.5	1.5
Micron Tech	MU	65.67	98.45	71.92	1.57	2.2	▲	▼	-22.8	-1.0
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	238.07	349.67	261.12	-13.61	-5.0	▼	▼	-22.4	-2.4
Novartis AG	NVS	79.09	95.17	87.82	0.00	0.0	▼	▲	-1.9	-1.9
Nvidia Corporation	NVDA	134.59	346.47	177.06	-9.69	-5.2	▼	▼	-39.8	1.0
Otis Worldwide Corp	OTIS	71.07	92.84	75.11	0.53	0.7	▲	▼	-13.7	-1.0
Pfizer Inc	PFE	38.48	61.71	49.92	1.28	2.6	▼	▼	-15.5	3.3
Pinney Bowes	PBI	4.30	9.92	4.55	-0.25	-5.2	▼	▼	-31.4	-3.3
Prudential Fnc'l	PRU	94.51	124.22	101.19	-5.49	-5.1	▼	▼	-6.5	-6.5
Pub Svc Ent Gp	PEG	58.96	75.61	68.58	-0.85	-1.2	▼	▲	2.8	2.8
Raytheon Technolog	RTX	79.00	106.02	91.92	-3.38	-3.5	▼	▼	6.8	1.1
Rogers Corp	ROG	172.84	274.51	263.75	-8.90	-3.3	▼	▼	-3.4	5.0
SS&C Technologies	SSNC	58.31	84.85	59.82	-2.58	-4.1	▼	▼	-27.0	-1.0
Sirius XM Hlds Inc	SIRI	5.75	7.29	6.14	0.07	1.2	▼	▼	-3.3	-3.3
Snap Inc A	SNAP	20.95	83.34	24.75	-0.17	-0.7	▼	▼	-47.4	-5.0
Stanley Black & Deck	SWK	117.53	225.00	121.61	0.58	0.5	▼	▼	-35.5	-4.0
Taiwan Semicon	TSM	85.39	145.00	90.96	-0.67	-0.7	▼	▼	-24.4	-1.1
Terex Corp	TEX	30.91	55.60	32.80	-1.52	-4.4	▼	▼	-25.4	-3.0
Tesla Inc	TSLA	546.98	1243.49	769.59	-96.06	-11.1	▼	▼	-27.2	2.2
Travelers Cos	TRV	144.44	187.98	172.78	1.14	0.7	▼	▲	10.5	1.1
Uber Technologies	UBER	21.69	52.36	24.39	-1.68	-6.4	▼	▼	-41.8	-4.0
Unitedhealth Group	UNH	383.12	553.29	485.40	-14.22	-2.8	▼	▲	-3.3	1.1
Virtus Invest	VRTS	161.30	338.80	172.91	-1.87	-1.1	▼	▼	-41.8	-3.3
Voya Financial	VOYA	58.97	74.97	62.62	-1.24	-1.9	▼	▼	-5.6	-1.0
Webster Financial	WBS	44.96	65.00	46.88	-0.88	-1.8	▼	▼	-16.0	-1.0
White Mtns Insur	WTM	978.51	1243.00	1163.49	110.03	10.4	▲	▲	14.8	1.0
World Wrestling Ent	WWE	46.81	70.72	58.25	-0.33	-0.6	▼	▲	18.1	18.1
XPO Logistics Inc	XPO	49.12	90.78	52.86	-0.79	-1.5	▼	▼	-31.7	-3.0
Xerox Holdings Corp	XRX	16.07	25.59	17.27	-0.40	-2.3	▼	▼	-23.7	-2.0
Yamana Gold Inc	AUY	3.70	6.40	4.91	-0.52	-9.6	▼	▲	16.4	16.4

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Fed/Hermes Muni Oblig Fund/Wealth		0.54	500K	(800) 341-7400
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60 month new car loan	4.55	4.45	1 year CD	0.70 0.63
\$30K Home equity loan	6.84	6.80	3 year CD	0.89 0.80
30 year fixed mortgage	5.39	5.54	5 year CD	1.03 0.90
15 year fixed mortgage	4.72	4.75	Savings interest	0.39 0.38
TREASURYS		FRIDAY YIELD	CHANGE 1WK 1MO 3MO	52-WEEK HIGH LOW
3-month T-Bill	1.03	0.18	▲ ▲	1.01 1.03 0.01
6-month T-Bill	1.45	0.06	▲ ▲	1.42 1.48 0.02
52-week T-Bill	1.97	-0.07	▲ ▲	1.92 2.13 0.04
2-year T-Note	2.61	-0.11	▲ ▲	2.45 2.78 0.13
5-year T-Note	2.89	-0.17	▲ ▲	2.05 3.06 0.65
7-year T-Note	2.95	-0.18	▲ ▲	1.64 3.13 0.95
10-year T-Note	2.94	-0.18	▲ ▲	1.28 3.12 1.17
30-year T-Bond	3.11	-0.11	▲ ▲	0.72 3.22 1.67

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DOW 30						
	TICKER	FRIDAY CLOSE	\$CHG 1WK	PCT CHANGE		
				1WK	1MO	1YR
1. Chevron Corp	CVX	167.87	-2.82	-1.7	-2.2	<div></div> 58.0
2. Merck & Co	MRK	90.41	2.02	2.3	4.0	<div></div> 24.4
3. CocaCola Co	KO	65.72	0.98	1.5	1.1	<div></div> 21.5
4. UnitedHealth Group	UNH	485.40	-14.22	-2.8	-9.2	<div></div> 19.5
5. Apple Inc	AAPL	147.11	-10.17	-6.5	-11.0	<div></div> 17.1
6. Procter & Gamble	PG	153.62	-2.38	-1.5	-3.1	<div></div> 14.0
7. Travelers Cos	TRV	172.78	1.14	0.7	-6.2	<div></div> 12.3
8. WalMart Strs	WMT	148.05	-1.51	-1.0	-5.7	<div></div> 7.4
9. McDonalds Corp	MCD	245.04	-5.74	-2.3	-2.2	<div></div> 6.8
10. Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	176.85	0.48	0.3	-1.7	<div></div> 6.8
11. Microsoft Corp	MSFT	261.12	-13.61	-5.0	-6.7	<div></div> 6.8
12. Amer Express	AXP	158.75	-8.40	-5.0	-12.4	<div></div> 4.4
13. Dow Inc	DOW	67.56	-0.37	-0.5	3.2	<div></div> 1.5
14. IBM	IBM	133.60	-2.42	-1.8	5.6	<div></div> -0.3
15. Amgen	AMGN	243.40	6.90	2.9	-4.2	<div></div> -1.8
16. Cisco Syst	CSCO	49.56	0.23	0.5	-3.1	<div></div> -5.1
Dow Jones industrial average		32196.66	-702.71	-2.1	-6.5	<div></div> -6.4
17. Visa Inc	V	199.23	-3.21	-1.6	-6.4	<div></div> -12.1
18. Home Depot	HD	296.03	1.72	0.6	-2.8	<div></div> -12.4
19. Caterpillar Inc	CAT	204.33	-10.32	-4.8	-10.3	<div></div> -12.4
20. Verizon Comm	VZ	48.18	-0.09	-0.2	-10.5	<div></div> -13.9
21. Goldman Sachs Grp	GS	306.99	-5.97	-1.9	-4.6	<div></div> -14.2
22. Honeywell Intl	HON	193.53	-0.92	-0.5	-0.9	<div></div> -14.5
23. Walgreen Boots All	WBA	43.55	-0.44	-1.0	-2.8	<div></div> -16.6
24. Intel Corp	INTC	43.60	-0.70	-1.6	-4.5	<div></div> -19.6
25. Nike Inc B	NKE	113.01	-1.48	-1.3	-15.3	<div></div> -20.5
26. JPMorgan Chase	JPM	119.09	-4.63	-3.7	-5.6	<div></div> -23.0
27. Salesforce.com Inc	CRM	166.91	-2.79	-1.6	-11.9	<div></div> -25.2
28. 3M Company	MMM	149.30	-0.23	-0.2	1.3	<div></div> -25.2
29. Disney	DIS	107.33	-2.96	-2.7	-17.7	<div></div> -42.1
30. Boeing Co	BA	127.20	-21.70	-14.6	-30.1	<div></div> -43.5

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Jill Schlesinger
Jill on Money

Can curves predict recessions?

Over a year ago, hopes were high for a post-pandemic surge in activity, encouraging economists and optimistic investors to wager that the U.S. was entering a new Roaring '20s. "What a difference a year makes," says Neil Shearing of Capital Economics. "The narrative has now flipped as concerns about recession have spread," prompting Shearing to ponder: "Is this latest story any more convincing than last year's?"

Given that the U.S. economy contracted at a 1.4% annual pace in the first quarter and as the Federal Reserve continues its inflation-fighting rate hike strategy, there have been heightened concerns about a potential recession and how the relationships between bonds are predicting just that outcome.

A yield curve inversion is the unusual market condition when it costs more to borrow in the short term than the longer term. Typically, it should be cheaper to borrow for shorter periods than longer ones, because lots of things can happen in the future. That's why bond buyers (lenders) usually demand higher rates to compensate for the additional risk of longer terms. So, in most cases when you buy a 10-year bond, the interest rate is higher than when you buy a two-year one.

But when short-term interest rates are higher than long-term rates, the yield curve inverts — meaning that it slopes downward, which is what has recently occurred.

Tea-leaf readers think that the inversion means that investors are worried the Fed will not be able to thread the needle of increasing rates without throwing the economy into a recession. So, they dump short-dated government bonds and load up on the longer-dated ones. The thinking is that the Fed will raise rates for the next couple of years and then will be forced to do a 180, after the economy slows.

Historically, when the relationship between two- and 10-year government bonds inverts and stays that way for three to six months, it can presage a recession.

Shearing points out that "the curve has inverted ahead of every recession in the U.S. over the past 50 years, with only one false positive (in 1998). It's therefore about as good a recession indicator as we're going to get. Ignoring the yield curve means betting against history."

But inversions may not always be the Magic 8-Ball when it comes to recessions.

For example, the curve inverted in 2019, but it would seem far-fetched to attach the outcome of a once-in-century pandemic-induced recession to that inversion.

What's more likely is that in 2019, bond investors got a little spooked about the future. Had the two-month COVID recession not occurred, we may have used 2019 as proof that the inversion/recession link was broken.

Additionally, the Fed's big bond buying campaigns over the past dozen years may be distorting the yield curve, which means the inversion "may have lost some of its predictive power," Shearing says.

But this inversion perversion underscores just how spooked we are about recessions in general. While nobody wants to see a return to high unemployment and human suffering, recessions are natural occurrences of the economic cycle. Sometimes the contraction and subsequent recovery last a long time (the Great Recession) and sometimes the damage is deep, but the length is short (the COVID recession).

So far, there are signs of a slowdown, as high inflation and rising rates eat into corporate profits and personal spending, putting inversion-adherents and Fed watchers on high alert.

"The challenge will be for the Fed to cool domestic demand without sending too much of a chill through the labor market," says Grant Thornton chief economist Diane Swonk. "Getting policy 'just right' is no easy feat. Goldilocks only exists in fairy tales."

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Realize LinkedIn's potential

The first 5 things you should do after connecting with someone

By Hillel Fuld | Inc.

As remote work continues to enter the mainstream thanks to the pandemic, professional online platforms are becoming increasingly important.

There is a definite uptick in LinkedIn usage as far as I can tell and, for me, that results in a massive spike in engagement. However, people continue to miss out on amazing opportunities on LinkedIn due to poor etiquette, and that has to stop. Here are five things you should do after connecting with someone on LinkedIn.

- 1. It might seem trivial, but say hello.**
Every time someone adds me on LinkedIn or, for that matter, when I add someone and they accept, I simply say hello. Way too many people send a pitch as their first message, and that just leaves a bad first impression. It makes you feel like they only added you in order to sell you their product.
So, as soon as you connect with someone, simply say hello. No pitch, no agenda, just a "Nice to connect" message. Remember this is social media. Don't forget the social element.
- 2. Take a look at their profile and familiarize yourself with their work.**
If this connection is to lead to a possible collaboration, you need to know what this person does, what they've done, and

what interests them. If I had a dime for every irrelevant pitch I got on LinkedIn, I'd probably be able to buy the whole platform.

Sadly, many people skip this important stage. I'm not talking about spending hours studying this person or conducting a background check — just skim their profile and understand who this person is professionally.

- 3. Ask them about their work.**
This is somewhat of a networking hack. Oftentimes, I'll sit down at a meeting and the entrepreneur I'm sitting with jumps right into demoing their product. Other founders begin the meeting with their pitch.
Here's an important tip: People like to talk about themselves, especially if they do work they're proud of.
So, instead of immediately pitching or selling that person on something, simply write "It's great to connect. What are you working on nowadays?"
It's so simple, yet so effective.
- 4. Think about what you can do for them.**
Once again, so many people get this wrong. One of my favorite strategies in the world is Ryan Holiday's Canvas Strategy. Allow me to quote you a few of my favorite sentences:
There is an old saying, "Say little, do much." What we really ought to do is update and apply a version of that to our

early approach. Be lesser, do more.

Imagine if for every person you met, you thought of some way to help them, something you could do for them? And you looked at it in a way that entirely benefited them and not you?

The cumulative effect this would have over time would be profound: You'd learn a great deal by solving diverse problems. You'd develop a reputation for being indispensable. You'd have countless new relationships. You'd have an enormous bank of favors to call upon down the road.

That's what the Canvas Strategy is about: helping yourself by helping others. Making a concerted effort to trade your short-term gratification for a long-term payoff. Whereas everyone else wants to get credit and be respected, you can forget credit. You can forget it so hard that you're glad when others get it instead of you — that was your aim, after all. Let others take their credit on credit, while you defer and earn interest on the principal.

Instead of thinking "What can this person do for me?" think "What can I do for this person?"

5. If there is synergy, set up a call to explore.

First of all, contrary to the way many people use the word, collaboration doesn't mean a person helping you or advancing your professional goals. It means both sides helping each other.

If, after completing all the above steps, you think there is potential for a collaboration, ask them if they'd be up to explore synergies over a call or on Zoom.

Online messaging is a good way to get the conversation started, but if you're going to get granular, a phone call will always be more effective.

Of course, if you need this person more than they need you — or even in general — offer to be flexible on time. Once you agree on a time slot, offer to send the calendar invite with all the details so it's locked in.

LinkedIn has tremendous potential, and I can tell you that I've had endless wins on the platform. But like anything else, it can be abused or misused, which will lead you nowhere in the best-case scenario, or even get you blocked in the worst-case scenario.

Like any other social platform, your golden rule should be two simple words: "Be human."



I asked what kind of family Amina wanted. She said, 'A family like yours.' That's when I knew I had to adopt her.

Denise, adopted 17-year-old Amina



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Have a problem with your pension or retirement plan?

This nonprofit can help



Elliot Raphaelson
The Savings Game

I have often written about retirement benefits in general, and about pension plans and retirement plans in particular. A very helpful resource to me in writing these columns has been the Pension Rights Center, a national consumer organization that works to protect the retirement income security of workers, retirees and their families.

The Pension Rights Center also provides services, including legal help, at no cost to individuals who contact them regarding issues related to their pension plans and retirement accounts. The center has recently revised its website (pensionrights.org), which will help those with questions or problems related to their pension plans and retirement accounts.

I recommend that you visit the center's website and review the services it provides, and also read about some of the subjects its staff members are monitoring. For example, they have recently given updates on a new law that protects workers and retirees in underfunded multi-employer plans, and summarized government warnings about allowing 401(k) plans to consider investments in cryptocurrency.

At pensionrights.org, you'll find an excellent blog that explains current scams, as well as resources for more information. To avoid becoming a scam victim, don't agree to receive or send money or unsolicited items from your 401(k) or other sources to people you don't know; don't send money to anyone you know even if they send you money first; and don't pay money upfront to collect a prize or lottery winnings.

If someone you don't know, such as an unsolicited phone contact or received online, asks you to accept money and send it to someone else, you should refuse and stop communication. (Further tips for identifying and avoiding what is known as "money mule scams" can be found on the American Bankers Association's website, aba.com.)

Here are some specifics on the services the center provides.

The U.S. Administration for Community Living's Pension Counseling and Information Program. One of the important



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areas in which the center helps individuals is dealing with problems related to their pension or retirement savings plans. This program serves individuals in 31 states. Free legal assistance is provided. If you have an outstanding problem or issue, you can find help by going to pensionrights.org/find-help/.

The National Pension Lawyers Network (NPLN). If you need any attorney to assist you regarding pensions and retirement plans, you can use this free referral service, which connects workers and retirees with private attorneys who can assist individuals to understand and enforce their pension and retirement plan rights.

PensionHelp America. Even if you reside outside the 31 states covered by the U.S. Administration for Community Living's Pension Counseling and Information Program, you can still obtain help from other entities. See pensionhelp.org/help/ for counseling for details. You will be asked to provide detailed information, such as the company you work(ed) for, your zip

code, personal information such as birth date, marital status, income level and the number of members of your household. With this information, you will be referred to agencies and attorneys who can assist you.

A note to attorneys and actuaries: If you are willing to volunteer, your services are welcome. Please contact the Pension Rights Center for information regarding volunteering your services.

Bottom line: The Pension Rights Center stays up to date with all issues related to your pensions and retirement plans. Its staff is professional and well educated. If you take advantage of its services, you will not incur any fees. The center's staff works very closely with legislators who are sponsoring legislation that affects your pensions and retirement plans. The center's website is a dynamic one, and will include all of the latest information that impacts your pensions and retirement plans.

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Terry Savage
The Savage Truth

How will you pay for college?

The college acceptance letters have arrived, and many families now face the scramble to find money to pay for the dream that has landed in their child's inbox. It's an issue that should have been discussed many months ago. Most financial aid packages offered by colleges will leave families with sticker shock.

But there are some steps families can take now if they can't afford the school that accepted their child.

Eva Dodds of Root College Advising (rootcollegeadvising.com) is a professional college counselor. She helps families choose schools likely to accept their children and to provide financial aid. Dodds stresses that knowledge is power, and that needs-based financial aid and merit aid is still being allocated during the month of May. So it's not too late to get more aid or find a school that will be more affordable. And if college is a year or more away for your child, here's where to start.

■ **Know the cost of each college.** Every school posts the cost of attendance (including tuition, room and board, and books and fees) on its website. Just Google the school name and the words "cost of attendance" to get not only the "sticker price" but the average cost — after financial aid.

■ **Know the expected financial contribution (EFC).** This is the amount parents might be expected to pay, based on their income, assets, number of students in school and other family characteristics. The best online EFC calculator can be found at [Finaid.org](https://finaid.org) (<https://finaid.org/calculators/finaidestimate/>). Family income, savings and other information goes into this calculator, so consider doing this privately and not with your child at your side.

■ **Compare college costs and expected payments.** Go to [MyinTuition.org](https://myintuition.org) and see the realistic cost and aid breakdown for each school your child is considering based on the input of your family's financial situation. Now, discuss this issue openly with your child.

Where to find money

■ **Federal student loans.** With all the discussion of federal student loan burdens, you might think this is the only way to pay for college. Actually, a dependent child can get only \$5,500 in student loans in her freshman year. Those loans will either be subsidized (no interest accrues until graduation) or unsubsidized (accruing interest from the start). But a federal student loan is a drop in the bucket compared to the potential costs of college. The current rate for the life of the loan is 3.73%.

■ **Parental PLUS loans.** These are the most expensive loans because the rate is 6.28% for the life of the loan, and there are distribution fees of 4.2% deducted from each loan. Yet many parents turn to them first because they are so well publicized.

■ **Private student loans.** Dependent students require a parent to cosign, and these loans typically carry higher rates than federal loans. Also, unlike federal student loans, private loans do not have "relief" provisions such as forbearance or income-based repayment. To search for private student loans, go to studentloanhero.com to get loan offers from multiple lenders. Depending on credit scores, rates may be as high as 11%!

■ **Home equity loans.** Rates are high, and these tend to be adjustable-rate loans, meaning they can be costly in a period of rising rates. Also, interest payments on money withdrawn to pay for college are not deductible.

What else can you do?

Dodds suggests contacting the college — but not the admissions office. Instead, contact the financial aid office. They often give out merit aid — subsidies designed to get your child into their freshman class, regardless of traditional aid limits.

Dodds also recommends talking to your high school college counselor to see what schools are still accepting students and offering financial aid.

Many counselors use the website of the college counseling association, [NACACnet.org](https://nacacnet.org), which maintains a database of colleges still searching to fill their freshman class.

As a last resort, the student could live at home and attend a community college for a year or two, making sure class credit is transferable, then transfer to a preferred school. That's a growing trend.

There's no doubt that college is worth the investment — but it might not be worth the high-rate debt to pay for it. And that's The Savage Truth.

Become a successful remote leader

By Sean Kim | Inc.

Enjoy working remotely? You're not alone.

According to a survey done by a remote company, more than 40% of employees want to stay remote permanently — not to mention the other 60% who want to work remotely part time.

That begs the question: How can leaders today adapt to thrive in the inevitable remote world? Having worked remotely for close to a decade and running a 100% remote team, I have a few unique insights.

It's not the same work hours. A typical remote workday is a different beast. And we should treat it differently.

The main mistake I've seen leaders make is reverting back to their micromanagement style, mainly because of a lack of trust in what employees are doing at home. We can't expect employees to work as usual in an unusual environment. No commuting means more time saved, but working at home can mean that employees have other duties to prioritize.

The key is to have minimum expectations on key deliverables, but higher flexibility on how and when they get done.

Screen, screen, screen. Unfortunately, not all employees are designed to work remotely. And many leaders forget to screen out applicants who won't thrive in a remote work culture.

Working remotely effectively is a skill



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in itself. We should assess new hires with this skill in mind, just like we do with any other soft skill we value. We can't expect an employee who has only worked in an in-person office their whole life to suddenly thrive in a remote-only work culture. If you're not prepared to invest extra time and resources to train this person, be prepared to let them go.

Luckily, the more remote work culture thrives, the bigger the pool of talented applicants we have to choose from.

Go slow to go far. While productivity and efficiency are vitally important, they're sometimes the only things many of us focus on. What many of us neglect is

the mental health of the people who are working for us. Even if people can work from home, burnout is a real thing. In fact, it can be more common in a work setting where people are expected to respond around the clock.

Debbie Goodman, CEO of Jack Hammer Global, shared with me the value of synchronous on and off times for your team. This simulates the work schedule of an in-person office, and gives employees permission to wind down together.

I've also embraced the practice of having more audio-only meetings to reduce the cognitive load that comes with video.

Customers aren't afraid to dump brands if they lose trust

According to a new report from Salesforce, trust is becoming more important than ever before. Salesforce surveyed 13,020 consumers and 3,916 business buyers in 29 different countries to gain an understanding of changing customer expectations and behaviors.

SOURCE: Shalene Gupta, Fast Company



Trust is becoming a key factor for consumers: 88% of consumers believe trust is more important in times of change, and 74% say communicating transparently is more important now than before the pandemic. Moreover, 68% said they trust companies that act with society's best interests in mind—a 9% increase from 2020.



Consumers crave the personal touch both online and offline: 88% of customers say the experience a company provides is just as important as its products and services, an 18% increase from 2020. While artificial intelligence solutions might be the key to making personalized experiences happen, customers are still on the fence about their trust in AI: 84% said it could be used for good or for bad, while 60% said they'd have more trust in AI if they could control how it's used.



Customers aren't afraid to walk: 71% of customers switched brands at least once during the past year, a signal that customers want brands to get it right. Two-thirds switched for better deals, and 58% for better product quality.

As Lidian Jones, EVP of experience at Salesforce, expressed via email: "Trust needs to be the foundation of business for every brand. Consumers are not taking anything—products, values, words—at face value anymore."

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Karyn L. D'Avignon
Richard E. Parker
Dwight W. Thurston
Richard G. Verret
- Berlin
Judith L. Johnson
Kenneth J. Lamkins
- Bloomfield
Larry D. Call, Jr.
- Burlington
Noreen K. Matava
- Canton
Karyn L. D'Avignon
Mary E. Piretti
Dwight W. Thurston
Richard G. Verret
- Colchester
Joseph Joaquin
Sandberg Af Benkestok
- East Granby
Agnes Carlson
Louise P. Walton
- East Hartford
Carla E. Baldwin
Constantine J. Dunko
John Querido, Jr.
Deborah Wood
- Ellington
Linda R. Ello
- Enfield
Mary C. Pierz
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Noreen K. Matava
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Eunice Jones
Luigi Mancini
Mary L. Martin
Emily R Melendez
- Manchester
Marilyn Moonan
- Middletown
Linda Klemba
- Newington
Sheila Dumeer
Judith L. Johnson
- Old Saybrook
John P. Rogers
- Other Town in CT
Mark W. Culotta
Ruth Griffin
Maria E. Hermosillo
Mary L. Martin
Emily R Melendez
Lois C. Neiley
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Mary E. Piretti
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- Vernon
Linda R. Ello
Ruth Griffin
- West Hartford
Mary Anne Powers
Taivo Raig
- Wethersfield
Luigi Mancini
- Windsor
Agnes Carlson
Phillip N. Jackson
Doris F. Spedding

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OBITUARIES

Barry, Dianne Maria (Trask)



Dianne Maria (Trask) Barry, 72, passed away May 9, 2022, after a brave battle with Alzheimer's. Dianne will be deeply missed and we're all better for the hour or the lifetime we were lucky enough to have had her in our lives.

Dianne was born in New York City on October 6, 1949, graduated from South Windsor High School and raised her three children in Vernon before residing in Somers, CT. Early on, Dianne worked as a bookkeeper for many years before focusing on her greatest talent, photography. She had a natural gift and could frame any photo into a work of art. She owned a successful photography business where she mainly focused on weddings and portraits. In her free time, she loved to photograph everything and everyone she loved, especially her children and grandchildren and every piece of nature she found beautiful. Prior to her own diagnosis, Dianne volunteered as a loving home companion for Alzheimer's patients, each of whom immediately became part of her family.

Dianne's children and grandchildren were the loves of her life and brought her endless joy. She was passionate about boating and traveling, spending many vacations on the water and visiting the country's national parks and monuments, capturing every moment beautifully each step of the way. Dianne loved music and there was rarely a time her jukebox wasn't blaring her favorite CDs. She also loved to garden and hike in the forest with her most cherished furry best friend, Kitty the dog. She was a voracious reader and had no trouble completing even the toughest crossword puzzles.

Dianne was committed to her family. She is survived by her long-time partner and dedicated caregiver, Jim Hinkle, her three loving children, Adam Barry and wife Margaret, Ryan Barry and wife Jennifer, and Jessica Maruszewski and husband Neil; her grandchildren, Taylor Selph and husband Chris, Chris Barry, Geoffrey Barry, Devon Barry, Alex Barry, Ethan Barry, Avery Barry and Reid Maruszewski; and great-grandchildren, Kaydena Bundrum and Declan Barry; her sister, SharonnAnn Collins; her brother, Bruce Trask, and many more family members and dear friends. Dianne was the most loyal and dedicated friend and cherished her life-long bond with Donna Tyrrell. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 20 years, Patrick Barry, mother, May Trask, and brother, Craig Trask.

Her family is eternally grateful to two very special CNAs, Staci Martel and Brooke Zelz, who provided Dianne with the absolute best home care and fell in love with her along the way. We also want to thank the staff at LiveWell for their dedication and care to Dianne in her final months and to all those suffering from Alzheimer's.

Dianne made this world a better place. Her family will celebrate her extraordinary life at a later date. We welcome donations in her memory to any Alzheimer's research or animal rescue organization important to you. For online condolences please visit: www.pietras-funeralhome.com

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Gutfran, Philip E.

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial for the late Philip Edward Gutfran will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 21st at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 265 Stratton Brook Road in West Simsbury. Burial will follow in Simsbury Cemetery. lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to any Alzheimer, memory care, or hospice related organization. The Vincent Funeral Home of Simsbury is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Philip's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Burdick, Dolores



Dolores Ann (Patsky) Burdick, 89, of Uncasville, loving wife of the late David S. Burdick and daughter of the late Walter and Ceil Patsky, passed away on May 12, 2022.

Known affectionately by her close friends as "Pat" and her family as "Grandma" and "Gigi," she was born October 25, 1932, and grew up in Morristown and Lake Parsippany, NJ before permanently settling down with her husband David on the banks of the Thames River in Uncasville, CT.

Together they raised four children—Patricia, Matthew, Audrey and Mark—who would later provide Dolores with eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, all of whom Dolores loved very much. Never one to miss a party, she left this world on her late husband's birthday—joining him and other loved ones in a joyous reunion and celebration.

Dolores studied the arts in high school. She was very creative and took great pleasure in knitting and arts and crafts activities—especially with her children and grandchildren. Outside of raising her family, she worked as a Lab Technician for American Optical in Norwich. An admitted "diva," she loved to cook for family gatherings, hit the bingo hall with friends, drop a few coins in the slot machines at the casino and watch her man Alex Trebek each night on Jeopardy. Her talent in matching her shirts and blouses with pants that were the exact same color never ceased to impress or amuse her grandkids.

She loved her house and neighborhood, and always welcomed visiting hummingbirds, but shooed away pesky deer—mocking them as interlopers. She was her children's #1 fan and enjoyed attending their sports games at Montville High School. Completely unaware and uninterested in the capabilities of the internet, she collected and mailed coupons, recipes, news articles and calendars to family members—and demanded recent photographs in return. Dolores loved to discuss cooking, flowers, gardening and birds—but her favorite subject by far was her family, which she cared for deeply.

Dolores will be forever missed by her son and daughter-in-law, Matthew and Lee-Etta Burdick of Bonita Springs, Fla.; daughter Audrey Zaccaro of Colchester; son and daughter-in-law Mark Burdick and Joyce Brown of Lisbon; her eight grandchildren: Andrea, Melissa, Christopher, Joshua, Rachel, Daniel, Laura and Chelsea; eight great-grandchildren (with one more on the way!); and many extended family members and friends. She was predeceased by both of her parents; daughter Patricia Cirillo; brother Robert Patsky; and son-in-law David Zaccaro.

Funeral services will be held at the Aurora-McCarthy Funeral Home, 167 Old Hartford Road, Colchester, on Sunday, May 22. Visitation will begin at noon, followed by a memorial service and celebration of life at 1:30 p.m. Burial will be private. Donations in her memory may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at stjude.org.

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Franco, Steven Joseph



Steven Joseph Franco passed away on January 23rd 2022 in Roseville, Ohio and was a past resident of Berlin for 35 years. Steve was a mechanic with his father at Sunoco gas station in Waterbury in his earlier years and continued his career in manufacturing. He was a wonderful cook like his mother. Steve was the son to his pre deceased parents Angelo Franco and Salvatrice Franco. He was the best uncle to his beautiful Bianchi nieces. He was a loving brother to Graziella And Ronald Bianchi. Steve was a light to anyone he touched. He was a funny and godly man but also a man who take the shirt off his back for anyone. We love you Steve and miss you so much. Our hearts ache because you deserved so much better than what this life had to offer.

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LeBreux, Beverly A. (Watkinson)



Beverly A. (Watkinson) LeBreux, 83, of Vernon, formerly of South Windsor, loving wife of the late Raymond R. LeBreux passed away peacefully on Friday, May 6, 2022. Beverly was born on April 13, 1939, in Swansea, Massachusetts, one of twelve children of the late John Watkinson IV. and Rose (Frain) Watkinson. She was raised in Swansea and attended local schools. She has been a resident of South Windsor since 1965. Prior to her retirement, Beverly was employed as an Inventory Accountant with the Glad Company with many years of dedicated service.

She was a Communicant of St. Margaret Mary Church in South Windsor for over 57 years. Beverly volunteered in the South Windsor community for many years. She was a member of the Friendly Shopper Program, Meals on Wheels, and the Community Service Group. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a faithful Red Sox and UConn fan.

She is survived by her three children, David LeBreux and his spouse Linda of Brentwood, TN, Marlene Thorstenson and her spouse Mike of Vernon, and Lisa Gagnon and her partner Shawna Schnitzke of East Hartford. Her six cherished grandchildren, Daniel LeBreux and his spouse Kimberly, Steven LeBreux, Joshua Spagna, Kevin Spagna and his spouse Alyssa, Zachary Gagnon and Sydney Hock. Two adored great-grandchildren, Marleigh Spagna and Elle Marie LeBreux. She also leaves her brother Clinton Watkinson and his spouse Monica of Swansea and her sister Ellen Forest of Somerset, MA., and numerous extended family. In addition to her husband and parents, Beverly was predeceased by her cherished granddaughter Lindsay Gagnon, her four sisters Dolores Trombley, Marlene Couitt, Irene Charles and Jean Holden and her five brothers William, John, Donald, Robert and Edward Watkinson.

A time of visitation for family and friends will be at the Samsel & Carmon Funeral Home, 419 Buckland Road in South Windsor on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 5-7 pm. Funeral services will be at the funeral home on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at 10:00 am followed by burial in Wapping Cemetery, South Windsor. Memorial contributions may be made to the Samaritan Purse in Boone, NC. To leave an online condolence please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Grady Jr., Arnold



Arnold Grady Jr., 66, of Vernon, passed peacefully Monday, May 9, 2022. Arnold was born in Hartford, CT, on October 12, 1955, to Ola (Knighton) Grady and the late Arnold Grady Sr. Along with his mother Ola, Arnold leaves to cherish his memory; four sisters, Elaine Grady, Noreen Grady, Bernice Grady, and Melvina Grady; five brothers, Ralph Knighton and his wife Joan, Otis Grady, Calvin Grady, Michael Grady and his wife Wendy, and Mark Grady and his wife Geraldine.

Along with his father Arnold Sr., Arnold was predeceased by two brothers, Alton Grady Sr., and Alex Grady.

A celebration of Arnold's life will take place 11:00am, Thursday, May 19, 2022, at The Lodge Community Chapel, 130 Deerfield Road, Windsor. The family will receive friends prior from 10:00am -11:00am. For the complete obituary and online condolences, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Lehmann, Robert C.



Robert Clinton Lehmann, 72, of Farmington Connecticut, formerly of West Hartford, passed away peacefully on April 21, 2022, surrounded by his devoted wife and daughters.

Robert was born September 7, 1949 in Hartford, Connecticut, a son of the late William and Lillian (Jensen) Lehmann of West Hartford. He

attended Conard High School and Central Connecticut State Univ. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in July, 1968. He had two years of service in the Vietnam War. His rank was E-3 Lance Corporal. After leaving the United States Marine Corps, he joined the First Company Governor's Footguard in October, 1970. He was an active member and held many leadership roles. His major contributions was as executive officer and held the rank of Captain, he retired as a Major. He participated in parades in Ireland, Savannah, Georgia, Boston, Massachusetts and in and around Connecticut. He also participated in the inaugural parade for President George Bush in Washington, DC and coordinated and participated in many of the Connecticut Governor's Balls.

After returning home from servicing our country in the Marines, he worked alongside his father in West Hartford as a business owner of Lehmann's Paint and Wallpaper store. He became owner and president of the store after his father's passing in 1978 and remain there until 1991. He formed his own contracting company, RC Lehmann Company and worked on the restoration of churches, historical, commercial and private homes. He later decided to join the Home Depot store in West Hartford as a sales associate for the paint department, then became the manager of the paint department at the Bristol, Connecticut Home Depot store. He remained at the Home Depot Corporation for 21 years.

He was past president of the Civitan Club of West Hartford. He held positions as a member of the Masons, he also was a member of the American Legion and the Austrian Donau Club of New Britain Connecticut. He was deeply devoted to his family and friends. He loved bicycling, kayaking and walking the rail trails. He enjoyed barbecuing, cooking, making applesauce and pies with his grandson Lucas and planning meals for the holidays and playing chess. He loved Old Lyme Shores where he had a summer cottage. He loved traveling and exploring new places especially the last few years going to Europe and Nova Scotia. He also enjoyed watching his favorite football team, the Philadelphia Eagles and the UConn Women's basketball team. He loved watching the history channel devoted to World War II. He loved going to the jazz concerts at Bushnell Park and packing a picnic lunch for outdoor concerts at Elizabeth Park.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 31 years, Elizabeth Ayotte Lehmann, a retired Registered Nurse case manager at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Massachusetts. He also leaves his daughter Stephanie Lehmann LeMay and her husband Mark of Berlin, Connecticut and Hallie Lehmann of New Britain, Connecticut. He also leaves his three grandsons Lucas, Ashton and Zachary LeMay, his sister Betty Ann Burkholder and her husband Peter of Simsbury, Connecticut, a brother William Lehmann and his wife Alice of Concord, Massachusetts. He leaves nephews and nieces Kyle and Kori Burkholder of Simsbury, Connecticut, Heidi Lehmann of Olathe, Kansas and Frederick Lehmann and his wife Erin of Maynard, Massachusetts.

A period of visitation will be held on Saturday May 21, 2022 at New Britain Memorial-Donald D. Sagarino Funeral Home, 444 Farmington Avenue, New Britain from 1:00pm to 3:00pm with a service to follow at 3:00 pm with full military honors provided by the CT Governor's Foot Guard and United States Marine Corps. In lieu of flowers, Robert requested donations to the First Company Governor's Footguard Trustees Association, P.O. Box 1771, Hartford, CT 06144-1771 and the Disabled American Veterans. For an online memorial please visit www.newbritainsagarino.com.

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Reynolds, Rachel L.



Rachel L. Reynolds, 43, of New Britain, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 12, 2022. Born in Charlestown, SC, beloved daughter of the late Kathleen (Penchoff) Pelletier and her husband John Pelletier of Newington and Harry G. Reynolds and his wife Joyce Reynolds of FL. She was an employee of the CT Dept. of Public Health and worked on the CT Immunization Program. Rachel loved scrapbooking and made "How-to" videos which led to 3.1K followers. Her cat Xanthe also became famous in her videos.

She had many scrapbooking friends all over the country and met with some on occasional scrapbooking trips. Along with her parents, she leaves her grandparents, Lionel and Georgette Pelletier of Andover, her sister, Amanda Rene Reynolds of FL, her aunts and uncles, Chuck and Erin Pelletier of Tolland, Jack and Karen Penchoff of PA, David and Debbie Penchoff of New Fairfield, Pam Penchoff of OH, Charlene Boulanger of SC and Kathie Harris of Windsor. She also leaves various cousins and her "chosen sister" and best friend, Nina McFerrin and her "chosen nephew" Kian Child. Relatives and friends are invited to call on Friday, May 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Duksa Family Funeral Homes at Newington Memorial, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington followed by a funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Memorial donations may be made to World Central Kitchen www.wck.org. To share a memory with her family, please visit us at www.duksa.net.



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Kopf-Walker, Eileen F. (Schuller)



Eileen F. Kopf-Walker, 79, of Granby, beloved wife for 10 years of the late Harry A. Walker, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at Hartford Hospital after a long courageous battle with cancer. Born in Bronx, NY on July 29, 1942, daughter of the late Frank and Elizabeth (Lenhardt) Schuller, she was the youngest child of German immigrants who had settled in New York City. Eileen graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in the Bronx and soon after married and started a family having moved to College Point in Queens, NY. She worked tirelessly holding a full-time job, raising her three children, and taking classes at night receiving her Associates Degree from Queensborough Community College. Eileen dedicated her professional career to the Employment Program for Recovering Alcoholics, a NYC based non-profit organization. Eileen worked tirelessly at EPRA for 32 years, starting out as the receptionist & bookkeeper eventually becoming the Executive Director. She retired in 2005 and moved to Granby, CT to be with her children and grandchildren and continued to serve on the EPRA Board of Directors until her passing.

In her spare time, Eileen enjoyed travelling and took many memorable trips throughout the United States & Europe with her family. Among her favorite trips were visiting with her relatives in Germany. Eileen especially enjoyed the simple pleasures in life, a good NY bagel, a hot slice of NY pizza, playing golf at the local Par 3 or perfecting her swing on the driving range, and spending time with her family. Most of all, Eileen's life will be remembered for her selfless dedication to others. After moving to Granby in 2005, she volunteered at McLean's in Simsbury, was very involved in the Granby Senior Center where she enjoyed yoga and many other trips and activities and was a communicant of St. Therese Parish. While her grandchildren were growing up in Granby, she was ever present at sporting events, recitals and school activities and enjoyed spending as much time with them as possible.

She leaves a sister, Katherine O'Connell of Oneonta, NY; three children, Kathryn Kopf of Granby, Stephen Kopf and his wife Donna of Kingsland, GA, and Joseph Kopf and his wife Marilyn of Granby; a stepson, Robert A. Walker and his wife Sheryl of Massapequa Park, NY; seven grandchildren, Sabrina Kopf and Stephen S. Kopf both of Jacksonville, FL, Caitlin Kopf and Melena Kopf both of Granby, Michael Walker and his wife Michelle of Long Island, NY and Matthew Seymour and Brendon Seymour both of Kingsland, GA; a great-grandson, Christian Seymour of Kingsland, GA; four nieces and nephews, Eileen Keating and her husband Paul of Ithaca, NY, Gregory O'Connell and his wife Vicky of Delhi, NY, Kristen Ford and her husband Tom of Ithaca, NY, and John O'Connell and his wife Michelle of Wallingford, and numerous grand-nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her brother-in-law Thomas O'Connell and granddaughter, Allison Walker.

Her family will receive friends on Wednesday, May 18, 5-8 p.m., at the Hayes-Huling & Carmon Funeral Home, 364 Salmon Brook St., Granby. Family and friends may gather on Thursday, May 19, 9 a.m., at the Hayes-Huling & Carmon Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, 10 a.m., at St. Therese Parish, Granby. Burial will be private in Woodland Cemetery, Delhi, NY. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to EPRA, 261 West 35th St., 9th Floor, NY, NY 10001. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.



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Garfall, Jay Thomas



Jay Thomas Garfall, 50, of Scottsdale, AZ passed away far too soon, but peacefully on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, after a hard-fought battle with cancer. His family and loved ones were with him to the end. Jay was born September 16, 1971, in Denver, CO, the only child of John Edward and Karol Ann (Schroeder) Garfall. He graduated in 1990 from Arvada West High School in Arvada, CO where he excelled in track and field and created many lifelong friendships. He also later obtained his Bachelors in Sports Science from Denver Technical College. During his teenage years, he spent summer months in Gunnison, CO helping his dad with wrangling on a dude ranch, and fishing on the Gunnison River. Jay moved to Arizona over 20 years ago and worked in the fitness industry, eventually opening his own business, Fitness Depot, a fitness equipment store, in Scottsdale. Subsequently, he joined the Renewal by Andersen team and consistently achieved top salesman status from 2017 to 2021. Jay met the love of his life, Samantha Lombardo, in August 2012 and they were married on June 25, 2016, in Connecticut. In addition to traveling with his wife, Jay's passions were fishing, alpine skiing, dancing, and fast sports cars. Jay will forever be remembered by all who knew him for his quiet, caring, and patient manner, and his wonderful sense of humor and adventure. Jay is survived by his wife, Samantha Taylor Lombardo; her mother, Nancy Lombardo of West Hartford, CT, father, Phil Lombardo of Newington, CT and brother, Kevin Lombardo of Newington, CT; his maternal grandmother and fishing buddy, Marjorie Jean Schroeder of Denver, CO; his Dad, John Edward Garfall and wife Kathleen (Duffy) of Gunnison, CO; his Mom, Karol Ann (Schroeder) Garfall of Arvada, CO; his Aunt Kathy Ellis of Denver, CO and her 2 children and 6 grandchildren; his Aunt Karen Augustin (late husband Mike) of Littleton, CO and her 3 children and 3 grandchildren; and his Aunt Kitt DiLoreti of Lone Tree, CO and her 2 children. He will also forever be remembered by the numerous friends he made throughout his life. Jay was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Jules Thomas and Mary Elaine Garfall of Johnstown, NY; his Uncle Peter of Boston, MA; and his maternal grandfather, Thomas Edward Schroeder of Houston, TX. A Celebration of Jay's Life will be held at a future date in both Denver, CO and Scottsdale, AZ for family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (www.mskcc.org) or to Lost Our Home Pet Rescue (www.lostourhome.org) will be very appreciated. Arrangements are being handled by Messinger Indian School Mortuary, 7601 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251. Please go to www.messingermortuary.com to share a memory.

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O'Rourke, Marita Howard



Marita Howard O'Rourke died peacefully on December 23, 2021 at Amberwoods of Farmington, after a life filled with family, faith, fashion and fun. She was born May 23, 1930, in Westfield, New Jersey to Jessie (Kentler) and Marshall H. Howard. While Jessie cultivated stage-motherly dreams that her daughter would be the next Shirley Temple, enrolling her in toe, tap and ballet lessons, Marita had other plans. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Fashion Design from Chestnut Hill College, where she made life-long friends and excelled as a natural student. She joined Price Waterhouse in New York City upon graduation. During this time, a college friend set her up with a handsome medical resident. Marita, ever graceful, tripped on her way into the party and would forever after laugh at the memory of the first impression she made upon the man who became the love of her life. The budding doctor and the fashion maven married in 1954. He was "Jim" to her and she was "Mike" to him.

The young couple settled in Bethesda, Maryland near Jim's work at the National Institutes of Health and later at Georgetown University. They eventually moved to Farmington where Jim joined the University of Connecticut Medical Center. Marita loved to throw parties and to include her four kids' college-age friends at the dining room table for long chats over dinner. When conversation flagged, she provoked debate with razor-sharp questions. When not running carpools, volunteering her time to others, and serving as the O'Rourke family's chief operating officer, Marita always had a creative project going. She papered the walls, painted the century-old Farmington house, and refinished and upgraded furniture with shoe polish, her trade secret.

Her real genius was in sewing. She thought nothing of whipping up curtains, bedspreads, or a last-minute St. Patrick's Day shift, or transforming her wedding gown into a first Holy Communion dress worn by each of her three little girls. When the daughters married, Marita designed and sewed their wedding gowns along with the bridesmaid dresses. She held firm opinions on what to wear and when to wear it and could be both witty and withering in her takedowns of fashion trends. Marita treasured her Catholic faith. She regularly attended weekday morning mass at St. Patrick's Church and defended the church in good times and bad. She remained clear-eyed and direct, though, as when she shook the hand of a visiting bishop and assured him that "I'm praying for you."

Marita believed that faith is a gift. She celebrated hers and was curious about the faith of others. She said that her faith brought her through the sudden loss of her son Jim as well as the death a few years later of her beloved husband and then her dear brother Marshall. Marita often said that "If I came back again, I'd major in philosophy," and she relished a good, sustained logical argument. Just ask any of her three sons-in-law. Up until her final months she was most engaged when talking about life's complexities, and she had a gift for getting to the heart of any matter troubling her husband or children.

She treasured walks with neighborhood friends and hikes up Taine Mountain. She delighted in physical challenge and took pride in mowing her own lawn or ordering dirt, a ton at a time to landscape around the house.

She is survived by her three children and their spouses, Carol and Joe Troiani of Burlington, CT, Beth and Mike Doyle of Arlington, VA and Margaret and Daniel Nowak of Spring, TX, sister-in-law Jeanne Howard of Pebble Beach, CA and eight grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband Jim, her son Jim and her brother Marshall Howard.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 21, 2022, at the Church of Saint Patrick, 110 Main Street, Farmington. Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the baptistery. Burial will be after the Mass in Riverside Cemetery, Farmington. Memorial contributions in Marita's name may be made to the American Red Cross where she was a longtime volunteer. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahern-funeralhome.com.

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Kalsner, Stanley



Stanley Kalsner PhD, died on Saturday May 7, 2022 with his family by his side. He was the beloved husband for nearly 60 years of Jenny Book Kalsner. He was born on August 21, 1936 in Brooklyn, New York and grew up in an apartment above a bakery on Avenue X. His father, William Kalsner, was a fisherman in Sheepshead Bay and died

when Stanley was 11 years old leaving the family in relative poverty often relying on donations of bread from the bakery at the end of the day. Stanley's mother Sadie, struggled with complications of lupus, passing away on his 17th birthday. Despite this hardship, he went on to complete high school at James Madison High in Brooklyn and then attend New York University part-time while working during the day brushing furs and as a messenger riding his bicycle through the streets of New York. In only four years, he was able to graduate alongside his full-time classmates. His passion for science and learning led him to continue his education and earn a PhD in Pharmacology from the University of Manitoba in 1966. He then went on to complete his post-doctoral studies at the University of Cambridge in England. Dr. Kalsner spent 18 years at the University of Ottawa where his scientific career flourished. His contributions to our understanding of the mechanisms responsible for vasospasm as a final step in myocardial infarction made him a leader in his field. In 1985 he moved back to his hometown of New York City, serving as the Chairperson of the Departments of Pharmacology and Physiology at the City of College of New York - CUNY School of Medicine until 2003. At City College he taught Physiology and Pharmacology to medical students and continued his research, studying neurotransmission in the autonomic nervous system. During his career he edited numerous books including "The Coronary Artery" and the series "Trends in Autonomic Pharmacology," and published more than 100 research articles spanning a variety of critical topics in Autonomic Pharmacology. Stanley met his true love Jenny, a Holocaust survivor, when she was visiting New York City from Toronto, Canada. He took her to the Bronx Zoo for their first date, sharing his love of animals which she would eventually come to appreciate. They were married on August 4, 1963 in Toronto. The two were soulmates, spending less than a handful of nights apart for the duration of their marriage. Together they raised their three daughters: Lydia, Pamela and Louisa. Stanley shared his passion for education and knowledge with his family, always encouraging them to pursue learning to the best of their ability. He supported his wife Jenny in her quest to complete her undergraduate studies after having their three children and later to pursue a master's degree in social work. One of his favorite hobbies was collecting tropical fish, and he always had a multitude of aquariums in his home. Stanley loved to debate topics ranging from social issues to politics and science with his children, son-in-laws, and later his grandchildren. He was always the most well-read and had books piled high by his bedside. Stanley's love of learning was only surpassed by his love for his family. He treasured time spent with his children and grandchildren and was famous for giving the biggest squeezes and hugs and being unbeatable at chess. His intensity, passion, and dedication to his family will never be forgotten.

Stanley is survived by his wife Jenny, daughters Lydia, Pamela and Louisa, sons-in-law Jay Silver, Michael Lowe and Richard Kershen and grandchildren, Dylan, Chloe, Noah, Tess, Olivia, Jonah, Max and Elliot. He is also survived by his sister Lynn Botsford and nieces Andrea Castellano, Dianna Botsford and Lisa Garner. A graveside funeral officiated by Rabbi James Rosen and Cantor Joseph Ness was held on May 9, 2022 at the Beth El Temple Cemetery in Avon, CT. Donations in Stanley's memory may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, www.michaeljfox.org and Beth El Temple, 2626 Albany Avenue, West Hartford, CT, 06117. Funeral arrangements provided by Hebrew Funeral Association, West Hartford.

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Thomas, Barbara E.(King)



Barbara E. (King) Thomas, 86, a resident of Vernon for over 60 years, beloved wife of the late Robert L. Thomas, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 1, 2022. Barbara was born on June 9, 1935, in Joinerville, Texas one of two children of the late Felix and Elizabeth King. She was a graduate of Concord High School in New Hampshire. Prior to her retirement, she was the owner of the Fairfield Teacher's Agency, Satellite Office in Vernon for over 25 years.

She was a longtime member of the First Congregational Church of Vernon and was a member of the Quilting Club and the Bible Study Club. She along with her husband Robert were dedicated members of the Audubon Society, and Barbara was a proud member of the Chickasaw Nation. She owned many Siamese cats and her Bengal cat Comet was her constant companion since 2015. She enjoyed using and becoming proficient with all new technology. She enjoyed photography, sewing, travelling, and birding with a birding life list of well over 200. She followed many of these pursuits with her husband or brother. Barbara was well known for being a wonderful and gracious host for her family gatherings which were memorable.

She is survived by her son and twin daughters and their spouses, David and his wife Nancy Thomas of Vernon, Elisabeth and her husband Joseph Noel of South Berwick, ME, and Catherine and her husband Lawrence Guillemette Jr. of South Windsor, her brother, Richard King and his wife Jean of Trumbull. Her eight cherished grandchildren, Adam Thomas and his wife Cynthia, Timothy Thomas and his wife Shauna, Nicole Thomas, Zachary Thomas, Thomas Noel and his wife Haiyan, Steven Noel and his wife Hannah, Christopher Guillemette and Daniel Guillemette, four great-grandchildren, Nathaniel and Tyler Thomas, Hunter Noel and Merrick Thomas, her niece Kristin Walsh and her husband Robert and her nephew Mark King and his spouse Cathy, and her second cousin Cheryl Wolfe.

A time of visitation for family and friends will be at the Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home, 551 Talcottville Road in Vernon on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 10:30 am-12:00 pm with a service at 12:00 pm at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Valley Falls Cemetery, Vernon. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Hockanum Valley Community Council or the Audubon Society. To leave an online condolence please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Fabian, Gail



Gail (Clark) Fabian, 81, of Wethersfield, beloved wife for 58 years of Roger Fabian, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 after a brief battle with leukemia. Born in White Plains, NY on October 5, 1940, she was the daughter of the late Major Taylor Clark and Marion Josephine (Keating) Clark. After marrying her kindergarten sweetheart, Gail and Roger moved to Wethersfield in the 1960s, where she worked for many years as a paraprofessional in the Wethersfield School District. She often could be found walking Old Wethersfield with her faithful companion Jack, ensuring she stayed current with all neighborhood happenings. Gail enjoyed spending her summers with family and friends in Indian Cove, Guilford, walking the Cove chatting with neighbors and planting vibrant flowers. She enjoyed painted and traveling and will be missed by her friends in Aruba, where Roger and she visited every year for over 25 years. Traveling with members of Metal Treating Institute, who became their lifelong friends, Gail and Roger saw all corners of the country, leaving them with great stories and fond memories. Gail was a classic social butterfly, either hosting or attending parties, well dressed and in her favorite shade of lipstick. She was an active member of the Wethersfield Garden Club and the Wethersfield Historical Society, as well as a generous supporter of many other philanthropic groups.

A loving wife, mother and grandmother, Gigi will be forever missed by her devoted husband Roger; two daughters, Jill Fabian of Wethersfield and Beth Nesteriak and husband Bryan of Seymour and their two adored daughters Emma and Sara, who brought her so much joy. She is also survived by her brother, Donn Clark and wife Christine of Brookfield, as well as many extended family members and friends. Special thanks to the staff at Hughes Health & Rehabilitation of West Hartford for their loving care during her short stay. The family will receive friends and relatives on Friday, May 20 from 4-6 p.m. at the D'Esopo Funeral Chapel, 277 Folly Brook Boulevard, Wethersfield. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m. at First Church of Christ, 250 Main Street, Wethersfield, with burial following in Village Cemetery. Donations in Gail's memory may be made to the Guilford Land Conservation Trust (GLCT), P.O. Box 200, Guilford, CT 06437 or online at <https://guilfordlandtrust.org/support/donate/>. To share a memory of Gail with her family, please visit www.desopofuneralchapel.com.



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Mierez, Elaine (Palmer)



Elaine Mierez, 71, of Windsor, beloved wife for 38 years of Keith D. Mierez, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 8, 2022, at Hartford Hospital. Born in Kingston, Jamaica on February 5, 1951, daughter of the late Wilmont Palmer and Iris Hunter, she was raised in Jamaica and migrated to the United States as a young girl and settled in Hartford, CT. Elaine was a graduate of Weaver High School, Class of 1971 and after high school she continued her education at New York Community College. Elaine worked in the main office at the Sage Park Middle School in Windsor for over 32 years until her retirement in 2015. During her time at Sage Park, Elaine got to know countless children and families in the community and loved helping everyone she came in contact with. Aside from helping others, she loved to travel, attend to her garden, shop, and definitely enjoyed having wonderful conversations with her loved ones. She was someone who was a pillar of the community and was loved by anyone who came in contact with her. She was someone who was caring, giving, and willing to help others in their time of need. She was the matriarch of her family. She will truly be missed. Elaine was a member of the Metropolitan AME Zion Church in Hartford. Besides her husband, she leaves three children, Neville Williams and his wife Angel of Tampa, FL, Shana Mierez and long time partner Julius Thomas of Windsor, and Christina Cicero and her husband Alexander of Windsor; six grandchildren, Shyanne Palmer, Amya Palmer, Soleil Williams-Coachman, Shanya Thomas, Avery Cicero, and Alexandria Cicero all of Windsor, four brothers, Winston Palmer of England, Winston Greenwood of Windsor, Robert Greenwood of Bloomfield, and Dean Greenwood of Windsor; two sisters, Norma Palmer of Manchester and Angela Greenwood and her husband Roy of Harrisburg, PA; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her adopted parents, Charles and Ruth Greenwood; and a sister, Lilieth Palmer-Robinson. Her family will receive friends on Thursday, May 19, 5-8 p.m., and on Friday, May 20, 10-11 a.m., at The Lodge Community Chapel, 130 Deerfield Rd., Windsor. A Homegoing Service will be held on Friday, May 20, 11 a.m., at The Lodge Community Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Terry L. Jones, Sr. officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. The family has entrusted the Carmon Windsor Funeral Home with the arrangements. For online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.



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Smith-Jackson, Samantha



Samantha Marie Smith-Jackson, passed away in Lincoln, DE on May 2, 2022. She was born on August 29, 1993, in Vernon, Connecticut. She is survived by her children, Kaiden Ruggiers, Elena Maloney, Landon Truitt, and Dalton Truitt, her mothers, Marge Jackson and her wife Lori Thulen, Virginia Smith and her wife Nancy Fox, her sister Heather Maurizio and her husband Justin Maurizio, and many step-siblings, Aunts, Cousins, and friends who loved her dearly. Samantha was an independent thinker who found her own path in life. She enjoyed sharing a good laugh, dancing, dogs and being in nature, including many summers on Cape Cod with her family where you would find her under a blanket watching the waves. Samantha was a proud mother and the glint in her children's eyes and the brightness of their smiles reflect the best parts of Samantha. Her eyes shone joy when sharing stories about how they were growing, what they were saying and sending pictures of them using the latest filter.

A celebration of Samantha will occur at Bloomfield Congregational Church, 10 Wintonbury Ave. Bloomfield, CT 06002, on Thursday May 19th. Calling hours are from 5:00 – 6:00pm with a service immediately following. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Connecticut Humane Society or Wheeler Clinic.

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Jendrejczak, Martin John



September 30th, 1948 in New Britain, CT and grew up in Unionville and the Farmington area. After serving in the U.S. Army Martin went on to become a Tool-maker, fabricating countless precision components for various industries including the aerospace industry, always taking pride in his work and managing to achieve the highest standards and accomplish the most complex tasks put before him, believing that if a person was ever taught to read and had a sense of determination they could get quite a bit done. Working primarily for small manufacturers, his list of employers also includes a former Rexam facility and machine builders such as Farrel and I2S. Seeking new challenges in retirement, Martin worked at Emerson/Branson Ultrasonics for a short time. One of his favorite hobbies was gardening – leaving us with two tomato plants to work with. :)

Martin is survived and dearly missed by his son James Jendrejczak of Southington, daughter Lisa (Jendrejczak) Sanford of Naugatuck, grandchildren Joshua and Erika Sanford of Naugatuck, nieces and nephews Linda (Ryer) Engel, Diane (Ryer) Schwartz of AZ, Christopher Ryer of FL, Michael Jendrejczak of Bristol, Brian Jendrejczak of New Britain, sister-in-law Janet (Robotham) Jendrejczak of Avon, and his good friend Julie of Naugatuck. He will be interred in the Jendrejczak family plot in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avon on Wednesday, June 1st at 10:30am. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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Kozlak, Thomas J.



Thomas Joseph Kozlak, 77, died peacefully on Friday May 13, 2022. Born on March 30, 1945, he was the beloved husband of Margaret (Backiel) Kozlak, with whom he shared a beautiful life with for 38 years in Bristol, CT.

Tom was a loving and proud father to his four children, the late Thomas Kozlak (who died shortly after birth), Jonathan Kozlak (Alison Kozlak) of Burlington, CT, Daniel Kozlak of Niantic, CT and Lisa Rettenmeier (Michael Rettenmeier), of Burlington, CT.

Tom is also survived by his cherished four grandchildren, Lauren, Kerry and Julia Kozlak and Benjamin Rettenmeier, who brought unconditional love and happiness into his life. He is also survived by his sister Linda (Kozlak) Hauch and her late husband Eric Hauch, his sister-in-law, Jane (Zacchera) Kozlak, along with several brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents, Charles and Norma (Bunn) Kozlak and brother, Charles Kozlak Jr.

Tom grew up in Canton, CT, graduating from Canton High School in 1963, where he was well-known for his athletic ability, specifically basketball and baseball. In his younger years, Tom enjoyed cruising on his motorcycle and in his corvettes. Tom worked at Davis Acoustical and Marjam Supply in Construction Sales, retiring in the spring of 2011. He was a long-time parishioner of St. Gregory Church of Bristol, CT. Tom was an avid golfer his entire life, accomplishing three holes in one. He especially enjoyed playing with his sons and golfing buddies. Tom also enjoyed UConn basketball, the New York Yankees and meticulously taking care of his yard. Above all, Tom was a devoted and amazing family man, whom we were blessed to be loved by. We will remember Tom's beautiful blue eyes, his kind heart, and his quiet sense of humor with his funny one-line zingers.

The visiting hours will be Tuesday, May 17, 2022, from 4 to 7 PM at Funk Funeral Home, 35 Bellevue Avenue, Bristol who has the honor of serving Tom's family. Friends are invited to go directly to St. Gregory the Great Parrish, 235 Maltby St, Bristol on Wednesday morning, May 18, 2022 at 10:30 to attend a Mass of Christian Burial and are also invited to attend the committal service immediately following in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Bristol. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association by visiting lbda.org. To leave an online condolence or to view a remembrance video go to Tom's memorial page at www.FunkFuneralHome.com



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Wisnefsky, Walter



Walter Wisnefsky, 78, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, passed away Friday May 13th.

Son of Benjamin & Arline (Slitt) Wisnefsky. Loving husband of Barbara (Sack) Wisnefsky married for 56 years and born in Norwich, CT. Devoted and loving father of Sheryl Abrams, Eric Wisnefsky, and Judy Foreman. Much loved Daughter-in-law

Tammy Wisnefsky & Son-in-law Andrew Foreman. He is pre-deceased by his sisters Marilyn Cohen and Sondra Radin.

Walter adored his five grandchildren. Matthew, Samantha, Zachary & Adam Wisnefsky & Isaac Abrams.

Walter graduated Norwich Free Academy in 1961 & participated in PHI Beta Fraternity and USY. He graduated Mitchell College in New London with an associate degree and went to American International College in Springfield, MA where he received his bachelor's degree in accounting.

Walter served in the US Army getting an honorable discharge as a Specialist 5th Class as an Allotment Section Chief in Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Walter received his master's degree in Accounting from the University of Hartford in 1979. He taught accounting part time at Central Connecticut State University, Briarwood & Tunxis College.

Walter worked for the State of Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control and transferred to the Office of Consumer Counsel where he retired in 2009.

Walter served on the Board of Directors for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. He served as Treasurer and Vice President of his Condo Association.

After retiring, Walter was a student teacher for over three years for the Weathersfield School System.

Walter enjoyed life to the fullest traveling with his beloved wife on over 80 cruises visiting many countries and islands.

Walter will be sadly missed by his loving family and friends.

The Ascher-Zimmerman Funeral Home is assisting the family.

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Dentamaro, Joseph



Joseph "Joe" Dentamaro, 82, of Venice, FL and formerly of East Hartford, loving husband for 59 years of the late Joanne Dentamaro, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Joe was born in Hartford to the late Anthony and Antoinette Dentamaro and previously resided in East Hartford before retiring to Venice, FL. Joe retired from

the State of Connecticut as a Development Director. He was an avid UConn Husky Women's basketball fan and attended many games over the years with his family. Joanne passed away peacefully at the age of 79 on July 18, 2020. Both Joe and Joanne were devoted parents and grandparents who cherished time spent with family and friends. Joanne enjoyed walking the beach looking for sharks' teeth and playing Bingo. They enjoyed their retired years traveling and cruising the world. They would go above and beyond for anyone they met and their generosity will not be forgotten. Joe and Joanne were sadly predeceased by their beloved daughter, Donna Stearns, who passed away in June of 2020. They will be greatly missed by their daughters, Diane Balderelli of Nokomis, FL, Denise Dentamaro of North Port, FL and Debbie Krenzul and her husband Bob of Nokomis, FL; their grandchildren, Jessica Petrello, Joseph Petrello, AJ Balderelli, Jeffrey Dentamaro, Americo Balderelli, Amanda Balderelli and Dustin Stearns. Joe and Joanne also leave behind their great-grandchildren, many special nieces and nephews, dear friends and other treasured family. The Dentamaro family would like to express their deep gratitude to the staff of Tidewell Hospice for their exceptional care and compassion during the final weeks of both Joe and Joanne's lives.

Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life lunch at Mill on the River at 989 Ellington Rd, South Windsor on Friday, May 20th at 12 noon. Burial will be private. The D'Esopo Funeral Chapel, Wethersfield has been entrusted with the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Tidewell Hospice Foundation, 3550 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34239 or online at <https://tidewellfoundation.org/donate/> To share a memory of Joe or Joanne with their family, please visit www.desopofuneralchapel.com.



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Gordon, Norman

Norman Gordon of Glastonbury passed away peacefully on May 7, with family in attendance. He was born in 1932 in Brooklyn, New York, the son of Molly and Benjamin Gordon. Norman developed lifelong friendships easily, starting in his Brownsville neighborhood, through Brooklyn Technical High School and at Cooper Union where he earned a degree in Engineering. Upon graduation he was recruited to work at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford. Norman's career path took him into the financial real estate world as Vice President at Society for Savings in Hartford and then to the position he found especially meaningful, Vice President at Manchester Savings Bank where he felt he was able to make a positive difference in the life of the community.

Outside of his professional life, Norm enthusiastically participated in local politics as a staunch advocate for racial and religious equality, and enjoyed a passion for the outdoors, pursuing hiking, sailing, bicycling, and skiing. It was through the Mountain Laurel Ski Club that he met his third wife and love of his life, Marilyn Kratzenberg. Together they toured the world, skiing and biking, going on safaris and hiking tours, and visiting opera houses and ancient sites. Everywhere he went, Norm continued to cultivate lasting friendships. He was a great listener and was a mentor to many.

Norman leaves behind his sons Mitchell and Douglas Gordon; his grandchildren Wren and Benjamin Gordon; and his beloved wife Marilyn and her children Deborah and Eric Kratzenberg and grandchildren Ursula, Margot and Audra. He is loved and will be missed.

A memorial service will be held Friday May 20 at 2:00pm in the Meadow Hills Community Center, Hollister Way North, Glastonbury. For online condolences please visit www.mulryanfh.com.



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Tonucci, Alice (Jacob)



Alice (Jacob) Tonucci, 95, a long-time resident of Newington, passed away on May 9, 2022. She was the beloved wife of the late Noel R. Tonucci. Born and raised in Hartford, she graduated from Weaver High School in 1945 and attended Hillyer Junior College (now the University of Hartford). During and following high school she worked at

The Travelers Insurance Company in Hartford and in 1956 began a 30-year career as a medical secretary with the U.S. Veteran's Administration Hospital in Newington. She served on the board of the Newington VA Federal Credit Union for 31 years and was Vice President and President during that time. She also served as President of the Leonard R. Nixon Chapter of the Connecticut Credit Union League for two years. Alice enjoyed music and in her youth sang with her church choir, the Hillyer College Choir and the Hartford Chorale, which performed at the Bushnell Theater for many years. She also liked to play the piano. Later in life she found joy in needlework and quilting and created many beautiful items for herself and her family. A member of the Newington Schoolhouse Quilters for nearly 20 years, she produced numerous quilts for charity. Alice loved to travel and visited countries in the Caribbean islands, Mexico, Canada, Europe and the Middle East.

A loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother, she leaves her son Stephen Tonucci and daughter-in-law Carol of Colchester, her daughter Lauren Szymanoski of Alexandria, VA, grandchildren Rachel, Lisa and Peter, and great-grandchildren Caroline and William. She also leaves her brother Dr. Robert I. Jacob, sister-in-law Josephine Tonucci, her cousins Sara Titus and Thomas George, several nieces and nephews, and longtime friend Elizabeth Calder. She was pre-deceased by her son-in-law Edward Szymanoski. She will be laid to rest beside her husband Noel in Fairview Cemetery, New Britain, at a later date. Memorial gifts may be made to the American Heart Association, P. O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692. Duksa Family Funeral Homes at Newington Memorial, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington, is serving the family. To share your sorrow, please visit us at www.duksa.net.



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Carrier, Yvon



Yvon Carrier, 75, of Rockwood, Maine, beloved husband of Micheline (Blais) Carrier, died suddenly April 14th, 2022. Born April 14th, 1947 in St. Honoré, Quebec, Canada, he was the son of the late Emile and Blanche Carrier. When Yvon was young, he developed a passion for building. He was always building things and making his own modifications to everything. In 1971 Yvon migrated to the United States and along with several of his brothers established a successful business, Carrier Enterprises. Yvon enjoyed working every day with his family and had great respect for a hard day's work. But above all else, Yvon loved his wife and family, they were the most important thing to him. Besides his loving wife of over 50 years, Yvon is survived by his devoted family, his sons, Charlie Carrier and Cara Gooding, Tony Carrier and Gemma Carrier, his daughter, Tina Zadrozny and Brian Zadrozny, his grandchildren who brought him pure joy, Allison Carrier, Amanda Carrier, Aubrey Zadrozny, Andrew Carrier, Matthew Carrier, Jamie Zadrozny, Callie Zadrozny, Collin Carrier, Emily Zadrozny, Christopher Carrier, and Caitlyn Carrier, his brothers, Jack Carrier and his wife Murielle, Claude Carrier and his wife Ginette, Regean Carrier and his wife Gayle, Noel Ange Carrier and his wife Francine, Richard Carrier and his wife Nicole, Jake Carrier and his wife Francine, Mario Carrier, Sylvain Carrier and his wife Odette, Alain Carrier and his wife Julie, Marco Carrier and his wife France, his sister, Jacqueline Poulin and her husband Jacques, his sister-in-law, Susan Carrier, several nieces, nephews, and extended family, and all of his employees which he thought of as family. Yvon was predeceased by his brother Michel Carrier and his nephews, Steven Gregoire and Carl Carrier.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday May 21st, 2022 at Carrier Enterprises, 117 Birch St., Southington, CT from 2pm-6pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Yvon's name may be made to the NRA, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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Glynn, Sr., Patrick M.



Patrick Martin Glynn, husband of the late Sheila (Sharkey) Glynn, of Wethersfield, passed away Friday May 13, 2022 peacefully at home. He was born in Lisdoonvarna, County Clare, Ireland. Pat was the son of Dennis and Catherine Glynn and had six sisters, all predeceased. He immigrated to the United States in 1947, where he met his beloved wife Sheila at the Irish American Home Society in Hartford. Pat was a lifetime member of the IAHS, which he and Sheila were founding members as well as the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Prior to his retirement, he worked as Director of Maintenance for the Sisters of Mercy in West Hartford (Mercyknoll) for 47 years.

Pat and Sheila settled in Wethersfield where they raised four children, Dennis Glynn and his wife Lynn of Middletown, Sheila Privitera and her husband Peter of Rocky Hill, Patrick Glynn and his wife Debra of Wethersfield and Erin Glynn of Wethersfield. He also leaves his grandchildren, Megan Mehta and her husband Sulabh, Matthew Glynn and his wife Victoria, Paul Privitera and his wife Vaughn, Ryan Privitera, Kaitlin Glynn, Jennifer Bryant and Chris Vicevich. The family would like to thank his wonderful care giver Charisse and all his friends who have shown so much concern in the past few months.

A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Pat's life will be held Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM in the Church of the Incarnation, 544 Prospect St. Wethersfield. Attendees are requested to wear masks. Burial will follow in Village Cemetery, 1 Marsh Street, Wethersfield. There will be no calling hours. The Farley-Sullivan Funeral Home has care of the arrangements. To extend condolences, please visit Farleysullivan.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hartford Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division 2, PO Box 68 Glastonbury, Conn. 06033.

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Neales, Rosella J.(Daleccio)



Rosella J. (Daleccio) Neales, 93, of Glastonbury, wife of the late Donald O. Neales, died Thursday May 12, 2022 at the Glastonbury Health Care Center. Born April 8, 1929 in Hartford, daughter of the late Joseph and Frances (Caperino) Daleccio, she lived in East Hartford for 60 years, moving to Glastonbury 8 years ago. She enjoyed 64 happy years of marriage with Don, and they were proud to be the longest-married couple at their grandson's wedding. Rose loved spending time with her family, celebrating holidays and special occasions (especially if gifts were exchanged!), shopping, and her weekly dinners out with Don. She loved a good Italian meal and visiting with loved ones. Prior to her retirement, she worked in the Revenue Services Department for the State of CT. Rose is survived by her 2 daughters and their husbands, Gail and Robert Therian of Colchester, Cheryl and William Winter of Glastonbury; 3 grandchildren and their spouses, Matthew and Kristine Therian of San Francisco, Michael and Lindsay Therian of Colchester, Billy Winter of Glastonbury; 2 great-grandchildren, Kara and Kacey Therian; a sister-in-law, Joann Daleccio of Kensington, and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by 2 brothers, Richard and Joseph Daleccio, and 2 sisters, Agnes Reynolds and Dorothy Garrity. The family would like to extend their sincere thanks to the staff at Glastonbury Health Care Center for the care that Rose received during the last several years.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday May 17 at 10:30 am in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield (Mother Cabrini section please meet at the cemetery office). There are no calling hours. The family plans to have an outdoor memorial gathering later this summer to celebrate Rose's life. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 200 Executive Blvd. S#4B, Southington, CT. 06489. For online condolences, please visit www.mulryanfh.com.

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Domina, Sandra M.

Sandra M. Domina, 78, of Ellington, loving wife of the late Donald D. Domina passed away peacefully at home on Friday, May 6, 2022. Sandra was born on October 30, 1943, in Providence, Rhode Island daughter of the late Richard and Mary (Landers) Carr. She was a graduate of Derby Academy in Derby, Vermont. Sandra was employed as a van driver for the Ellington Board of Education for over 20 years. Sandra enjoyed crocheting and was know for being a very creative and talented ceramic artist. Her ceramics were beautiful and well appreciated by those that received them as gifts.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Rick and Julie Domina of South Windsor, five loving and cherished grandchildren, Caitlin Domina and her fiancé Tom of East Haddam, Emily Ahlstrin of Texas, Elizabeth Ahlstrin of Manchester, Derrick D. Domina Jr. of Manchester and Joshua Domina of Bristol. Her four siblings, Michael and his wife Rachel, Deb and her husband Joe, and Laurie and Dick and their families. In addition to her husband and parents Sandra was predeceased by two brothers Bill & Don.

Funeral services and burial will be private. There are no calling hours. Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home in Vernon has care of the arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. To leave an online condolence please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Dahl, Elmer Johnson



Elmer Johnson Dahl, beloved husband of Hazel (Stenquist) Dahl, passed away peacefully on May 8, 2022, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Hartford, CT on June 22, 1931 to Idoff and Edith Dahl. He graduated from The Loomis School, Yale University and Harvard Business School. He proudly served as an officer in the United States Navy in theater during the Korean War. Elmer and Hazel settled in Simsbury, where they raised their family and lived for nearly 50 years, before moving to Cromwell in 2016.

He had a distinguished career in corporate finance. Later, indicative of his entrepreneurial spirit, he owned several small businesses. He served on several boards including class agent at Loomis Chaffee. He sang in a number of choral groups including church choirs and the Hartford Chorale. He was an avid sports fan and could be found cheering on his grandchildren or giving a little friendly advice to the coaches. He had a lifelong commitment to faith, family and music and treasured his many friends. His genuine love for people had an enduring impact on those he met. He was a 42-year survivor of acute leukemia and while not the defining aspect of his life, his family cherished the additional four decades as a great gift.

Elmer is survived by Hazel, his wife of nearly 66 years, his four children, James (Kristen), Peter (Kelley), Sara (Greg) and Steven (Julie). He is the beloved grandfather of Elizabeth (Jake), Daniel, Eric, Matthew, Emily, Christopher, Nate, Griffin, Thomas and Katherine, and great-grandfather of Henry. He was pre-deceased by his brother Edmund and sister, Eileen.

A memorial service will be held at Bethany Covenant Church on Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 11:00 AM. A private burial service with military honors will be conducted at Simsbury Cemetery.

Donations may be made in his memory to Bethany Covenant Church, 785 Mill St. Berlin, CT. 06037 or Pilgrim Pines Conference Center, 220 West Shore Rd, Swanzey, New Hampshire, 03446. Erickson-Hansen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may use the online guestbook (www.ericksonhansen.com) to share a memory or words of condolence.

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Freschlin, Harry George



Harry George Freschlin, 82, of Manchester, passed away peacefully on May 8, 2022. He was born on April 19, 1940 in Elizabeth, NJ, a son of the late Louis Charles Sr. and Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Freschlin. He was the beloved husband of Carol R. Freschlin for 58 years.

Harry grew up in Linden, NJ, along with his brother, Louis Jr., "Buddy". He attended Farleigh Dickenson University, earning his degree in Mechanical Engineering, class of '62. Harry worked as a Design Engineer for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Engines for over 30 years.

Harry met the love of his life, Carol, in 1956 and they married in 1963. Together they raised 4 children living their lives mostly in CT.

He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, crabbing and skiing. In his spare time, he made beer, wine and cordials, which he would share with friends. He enjoyed time with family during the annual vacations to the Cape, Disney, NH and ME. For many years he worked on finishing the Freschlin cabin in Washington, NH where countless hours were spent making it the permanent vacation home it has become for the entire family. After retirement, he and Carol travelled extensively throughout Europe, Canada, and the US, adding destination pins of every location visited to his travel hats.

He will be dearly missed by his wife Carol, children, Marianne Freschlin and her husband John Rogers, son Randy Freschlin and his wife Kelly, daughters Katherine Freschlin and Janice Freschlin, five grandchildren: Chase, Nik, Alec, Ian and wife Teresa, Logan, great grandchild Landon, brother Louis "Buddy" Freschlin, nephew Robert Freschlin and niece Vicki Shamblin. He will also be missed by his friends who enjoyed many lunches, weekend getaways, pub crawls and shenanigans with him.

Donations can be made in Harry's memory to Boy Scout Troop 25, 11 Center St. Manchester CT 06040

A calling hour will be held Wednesday, May 18th, 11am-12pm, with a Celebration of Harry's life to follow at 12pm., at Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave., East Hartford, CT. To leave an online condolence, please visit www.newkirkandwhitney.com

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Angiletta, Ruth

Ruth Angiletta, 80, of Southington passed away on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at her home. She was born August 1, 1941 in Meriden to the late Michael Angiletta and Pearl (Street) Blair.

Ruth was a graduate of Southington High School Class of 1959. She was a hairdresser for many years at the Salon of Hair Fashion in Forestville. She felt her biggest accomplishment was raising three children on her own. She is survived by her sons, Keith Borkowski and wife Margaret of ME and Kurt Borkowski and wife Susan of FL and her daughter Kari-Ann White and husband JR of SC; four grandchildren, Emily, Kara, Dalton and Ashlee. She also leaves three sisters, Karen Johnston and husband Tom of WI, Jacqueline Schoggen of AL and Diane Richter and husband Neil of CT and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her longtime beloved companion John Baker; three brothers, Michael, Robert, Ralph and a sister Janet Coty. A graveside service for Ruth will be held on Tuesday, May 17th, 11 a.m. at St. Thomas Cemetery, Meriden Ave., Southington. The DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main St., Southington has been entrusted with the arrangements. Donations may be made to the CT Humane Society, 701 Russell Rd., Newington, CT 06111. For online condolences and directions please visit, www.dellavecchiasouthington.com

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Campbell, Alan



Alan Stuart Campbell, age 76, of Brewster, MA died of natural causes on May 4, 2022 in Chatham, MA.

Alan is survived by his two sons Adam Stuart Campbell, of E. Windsor CT and Ryan John Campbell, of Austin, TX; by sister Patricia A (Campbell) Robair and her husband, Kurt Robair; and by several nieces

and nephews.

Alan was born on October 21, 1945 in Hartford, CT to parents Wesley Warren and Beatrice (Stoetzer) Campbell. He was raised in Bloomfield, CT in the house built by his father and uncles. He graduated from Bloomfield High School in Bloomfield, CT in 1965.

After high school, he served in the US Navy. In 1969, he received a degree in radio and television broadcasting at the Connecticut School of Broadcasting in Hartford, CT, after which he worked as a radio broadcaster at WTSa in Brattleboro, VT for two years. In 1975, he married Karen Marie Finnell of Brattleboro, VT, and they moved into their home in Brewster, MA. The marriage ended in divorce. He worked a variety of jobs, including the maintenance supervisor for Sea Pines and Ocean Edge. In 1986, he began a 25 year career at Cape Cod 5 Cents Savings Bank as the facilities director, from which he retired in 2011.

Alan will be remembered as a kind, dedicated, and generous man who was fun to be around and always the life of the party. He spent his free time undertaking home improvement projects, kayaking, skiing, and hosting many parties. After his retirement, he enjoyed traveling around the world.

In lieu of a memorial service, Adam and Ryan will be hosting the last of their dad's famous summer parties in celebration of his life on July 23, 2022. For more information about the celebration of Alan's life, please email alan.s.campbell.memorial@gmail.com. The family requests no flowers be sent and that any donations be made to the charity of your choice.

For online condolences please visit: <http://www.nickersonfunerals.com>

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Goehring, Phyllis (Pomeroy)



Phyllis (Pomeroy) Goehring, 81, of Vernon, beloved wife of 40 years of the late Donald W. Goehring passed away peacefully, with her loving family at her side, on Sunday, May 1, 2022, at home. Phyllis was born on January 1, 1941, in Hartford, one of three children of the late Austin and Elizabeth (Fowler) Pomeroy. She was raised in Manchester, attended local schools and was a graduate of Manchester High School, Class of 1958. Phyllis earned an associate degree in Finance from Fairfield University.

She was employed for over 26 years with First Federal Savings, retiring in 2002 as a Vice President & Security Officer. Phyllis was a longtime dedicated member of the Vernon United Methodist Church. She was a volunteer with Meals on Wheels for over 20 years, a member of the Red Hat Society and a former member of the South Windsor Lions Club. Phyllis was proud of her work with ECHN, serving as a volunteer with the Hospice, Bereavement, and Step Beyond Programs.

Phyllis is survived by her two sons, W. Michael Goehring and his spouse Janet Cunningham of Roswell, GA, and Robert E. Goehring of Vernon, her two cherished grandchildren Christopher Athanasoff of Lafayette, LA and Natasha Goehring of Hoboken, NJ and several nieces, nephews, and their families. In addition to her husband and parents, Phyllis was predeceased by her two loving brothers Bill Pomeroy and Dr. Gordon Pomeroy.

Family and friends are welcome to attend a time of visitation at the Vernon United Methodist Church, 401 Hartford Turnpike (Route 30) in Vernon on Monday, May 23, 2022, from 10:00-11:00am., with a service to be celebrated at 11:00 am. Burial will be private in Elmwood Cemetery, Vernon.

In lieu of flowers, Phyllis asks that you donate to one of the organizations she volunteered at or a charitable organization of your personal choosing. Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home in Vernon has care of the arrangements. To leave an online condolence please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Konon, Jean (Richardson)



Jean Richardson Konon, 71, formerly of East Hampton, passed away April 30, 2022 after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease. She was the daughter of the late Raymond and Helen Richardson. She is survived by her son, Eric (Jacquelyn Chan) Konon of Brooklyn, NY, daughter Ashley Konon (Adam Hitt), Cape Canaveral, FL, grandson, Felix, her twin sister Joyce (Robert) Dion of Sharon, VT, her brother Paul (Joan) Richardson of New Hartford, nieces and nephews. A private service will be held in July.

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Cawthon, Robert L.



Robert L. Cawthon passed away on Monday, May 9, 2022 at John Dempsey Hospital. Bob is survived by Carolyn, his wife of 61 years, daughter Karen Cawthon-Gillespie and grandson Zachary Gillespie. He also leaves a sister, Joyce (James) Yurko of Crest Hill, IL and a brother, Russell (Nancy) Cawthon of Burr Ridge, IL. In addition, he has several surviving nieces and nephews.



Bob was predeceased by his son David, parents Ovie and Mattie (Dean) Cawthon of Hoopeston, IL, a brother, Harold Cawthon and sisters Barbara (Ronald) Wicoff and Ruby (Ronald) Gudgeal.

Bob was born on November 27, 1935 in Hoopeston, IL and attended local schools in Hoopeston. He attended the University of Illinois, the University of Chicago and graduated with a degree in Business from Roosevelt University in Chicago, IL.

After two years of service in the US Army he began a thirty-seven year career with The Hartford Insurance Group, retiring in 1993 as a Senior Executive in the Controller's Department.

Arrangements are being cared for by the Vincent Funeral Home in Simsbury. There are no calling hours and burial will be at the convenience of the family. Please visit Bob's "Book of Memories" at www.vincent-funeralhome.com for online tributes.

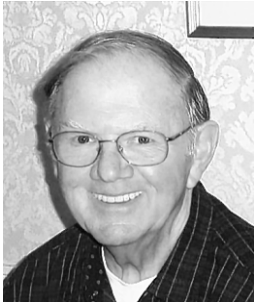
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Christopher, Carol M

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Ferguson, John Joseph



John Joseph Ferguson, 80, of Simsbury, beloved husband of Mary Jeannie (Bullock) Ferguson, died peacefully Thursday, May 12, 2022 at his home with family by his side. He was born November 24, 1941 in Hartford, son of the late Thomas Edward and Helen (Carlson) Ferguson. John attended Hartford schools, earned an accounting degree and proudly co-



founded and grew Quality Bead Craft with his life-long friend and business partner, Rick Hillier. The partners spent over 50 years at "the shop" in Bloomfield taking orders, fixing machines and every other task of running a family manufacturing business. John was a veteran of the Army National Guard and an active member of St. Mary's Church in Simsbury. He lived a life centered on family, hard work and helping others. He set high expectations for his children and cheered for them loudly and proudly along the way. In his spare time, John and Jeannie mastered countless DIY tasks together, from routine repairs to building a house on stilts in North Carolina, which they lovingly maintained and shared with others, becoming a treasure of happy memories. John was a Boston Red Sox and Notre Dame fan with an outgoing personality. He loved entertaining, spending time with friends and family and simply making people smile.

In addition to his loving wife of 54 years, he is survived by his daughter, Holly McGrath and her husband Bob, his son Terence Ferguson and his wife Gretchen, his grandchildren, Matthew, Kayla, TJ, Ava and Farrah. John is also survived by two older sisters Anne Hill and Katharine Cochener. He is predeceased by his son, John (Jody) Joseph Ferguson, Jr. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, May 26th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Vincent Funeral Home, 880 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 27th at St. Mary's Church, 942 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury. Burial will follow in Simsbury Cemetery. Donations in his memory may be made to the Joseph and Marilyn Gabriele Scholarship Fund benefiting students at St. Mary School at <https://stmarysimsbury.org/gabriele-scholarship-fund>. Please visit John's "Book of Memories" at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Gove, Kimberly



Kimberly Gove, 74, passed away on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at home. She was the loving wife of the late Ronald Gove for many years. Kimberly was born on June 11, 1947 in Hartford, CT to the late Richard and Helen (Habermann) Hess. She graduated from Conard High School. Kimberly loved to reading books, watching

movies and traveling. She was a member of the Red Hat Society. Kimberly is survived by her son, Mark Gove; grandchildren, Arianna and Matthew Gove; former daughter-in-law Carla Canar Santa Maria; brother, Matthew (Annie) Hess; sister, Heather Hess; nephew, Christopher Hess. A memorial service will be held at 11 AM on Tuesday, May 17 at Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St. in Plainville. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in Southington. Memorial donations may be made in Kimberly memory to a charity of your choice. The Bailey Funeral Home of Plainville has been entrusted with the arrangements. To leave a message of remembrance, please visit www.bailey-funeralhome.com.

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Puntillo, Michael A.

Michael Anthony Puntillo, 69, of Norwich, passed away on April 28, 2022. Born on April 10, 1953 to Filomena and Joseph Puntillo in Oceanside, NY, he was a devoted father and brother. He is survived by his daughter Rosemary Puntillo and sister Diane Puntillo Kownack. He was predeceased by his wife, Carmen Vallejo Puntillo (married May 23, 1987-2011). Michael loved to tinker. He also enjoyed classic cars, cooking, going to the beach, playing with his dogs and spending time with family and friends. All who knew him will miss his laughter and generosity.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 10am at St. Patrick Cathedral, 213 Broadway, Norwich, CT. Burial will be Monday, May 23, 2022 at 10am at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com.

In lieu of flowers, we request donations be made to Connecticut Humane Society, www.cthumane.org or to St. Patrick Cathedral School of Norwich, <https://www.st-patrickschoolnorwich.org/>

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Ferrara, John J

John J. Ferrara died peacefully on May 12, 2022, in Beaufort, SC at the age of 71, with his wife by his side. John is survived by his wife of 48 years, Paula; his son Jonathon and partner Sheri Muscarella in Mystic, CT; his daughter Jessica Dime and her husband Tim in Conroe, TX; his sisters Marilyn Mlynec and Delores Hanrahan in CT and his brother, Tom Ferrara in FL. He is preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Mary Ferrara; his sister Rosemary Ferrara and his beloved grandson Nathan Joseph Stiefel.

John was born on Aug. 9, 1950, in Stamford, CT and grew up in Port Chester, NY. He graduated from the University of Dayton in 1972. He moved his family to Westbrook, CT in 1977.

John worked as Customer Service Manager for Pilot Corp. for 20 years and retired in 2017 as Exec. Dir. of Literacy Volunteers Valley Shore.

John was an active community volunteer his entire life. He was an Eagle Scout and became Scout Master in Westbrook. He was active in Republican politics in Westbrook and CT serving as Westbrook Republican Town Committee Chairman, State Central Committeeman for the 33rd Senatorial District, and Treasurer for Grassroots East. He served as Westbrook Board of Finance Chairman and on numerous Westbrook ad hoc committees. John was a mentor for the Southeastern CT Chapter of SCORE and after moving to Beaufort 5 years ago, a mentor for SC Lowcountry SCORE focusing on veterans and non-profits. He was awarded Mentor of the Year for 2019. John is a member of the Beaufort County Republicans, St. Peters Catholic Church, and Vice President of the Marsh Harbor HOA.

John was an avid New York Yankee fan and enjoyed nothing more than seeing the Yanks beat the Socks. He followed UCONN basketball especially the girls and the NY Giants Football Team.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at Holy Cross Mission, St. Helena Island.

A memorial Mass will be held 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 17th at Holy Cross Mission.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to SC Lowcountry SCORE.

Please share your thoughts and stories about John by visiting www.copelandfuneralservice.com. Copeland Funeral Service is assisting the Ferrara family with arrangements.

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Gilman, Ann Mather (Collier)



Ann Mather (Collier) Gilman, 89, of Simsbury, wife of the late Joseph Lawrence "Larry" Gilman died peacefully at home with family on Wednesday, May 11, 2022. Born May 17, 1932 in Lynn, MA, she was the daughter of the late Edmund J. and Anna (Uzdavinis) Collier.

Ann earned a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance from Boston University where she met her future husband, Larry Gilman. Her 45-year tenure at Westminster School began first as a volunteer pianist and organist in 1956, when Larry was appointed music director and an English teacher; and from 1972 to 2001 she was a faculty member, serving as organist, choir accompanist, voice coach, and music director for the drama program. For decades, the Gilmans were a constant presence at Westminster, living on campus and raising their two children, Lawrence and Suzanne, graduates of the school.

Following Ann's retirement from Westminster, the Ann Gilman Organ Maintenance Fund was established for the school's chapel organ in recognition of her loyal service. The Gilman Music Lesson Scholarship Fund honors Ann's and Larry's service to the school.

Ann was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Joseph Lawrence Gilman, in 2017, and her son, Lawrence Collier Gilman, in 2018. She is survived by her daughter, Suzanne Gilman, (Gena Taylor) of New York City; daughter-in-law, Susan Apling-Gilman of Delta Junction, AK; grandson, Aaron Apling-Gilman (Kayla Weller) and great-grandson Landon Hayes Apling-Gilman, of Anchorage, AK; sister-in-law, Anne Collier of Wakefield, MA; niece Elizabeth Collier and nephew Matthew Collier of Wakefield, MA; and nephew David Collier of Wildomar, CA. She was predeceased by her brother, Edmund James Collier.

Our family is forever thankful to the Westminster Community for the support and warm, loving embrace they have always extended. There are no calling hours and services will be private. Any memorial donations may be sent to the Gilman Music Fund at Westminster School, 995 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070. The Vincent Funeral Home of Simsbury is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Ann's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Seluke, Carole Marie



Carole Marie Seluke—"Nana"—passed away peacefully on May 14, 2022, after a long illness at age 85. Carole Marie was born in Pittsfield, MA on May 7, 1937, daughter of Oley and Agnes (Cashman) Mansen. She was predeceased by her husband Walter Seluke Sr., son Walter "Buddy" Seluke, Jr., and grandson Robert T. Longhenry Jr., as well as her brothers Charles Mansen Sr., John E. Mansen Sr., David O. Mansen Sr., and sisters Judith T. Miers and Denise L. Kosyvakis. Carole is survived by sisters Kathleen A. Mansen and Diane F. Arthur, along with her brothers-in-law Daniel Miers, William Glander Sr., Eugene Arthur, and Angelos Kosyvakis, and sisters-in-law Mary Mansen, Joan Mansen, and Sandra Mansen. She also leaves behind her son David P. Seluke and daughters Donna Seluke Zanardi and son-in-law Daniel W. Zanardi, Cynthia Longhenry and husband Robert T. Longhenry, Sr., Judith Seluke and son-in-law Brian Howell, Sandra Atkinson and husband Richard Atkinson, Jr., as well as her grandchildren, Michael Bertelli, Alexandra Zanardi, Chloe Zanardi Neal, McKenna Atkinson and Richard Atkinson III, and many nieces and nephews. Carole Marie also leaves behind many wonderful friends and caregivers that made her final years and days full of joy and love.

A special "thank you" to Sue Pike, Karen Fonfara and Janece Schneider who made her laugh, love, and hug in her earlier battle with Alzheimer's, and to Selma Usman who continued with the same and provided so much joyful love and compassionate care over her final year and days. Visitation for Carole Marie will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, from 5-7PM at the Robinson, Wright & Weymer Funeral Home, 34 Main Street in Centerbrook. A Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 10AM at the First Congregational Church of Deep River, 1 Church Street in Deep River. Interment will follow at the Fountain Hill Cemetery, 57 High Street in Deep River. Donations in Carole Marie's memory may be made to the Deep River Ambulance Association, P.O. Box 274, Deep River, CT 06417. To share a memory of Carole Marie or a condolence message with her family, please visit www.rwwfh.com.

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Brown, Eula P. (Pickens)



Eula P. (Pickens) Brown, of Windsor, beloved wife of the late Edwin Brown, Sr., passed away peacefully on May 6, 2022. She was born on January 6, in Pittsview, AL; a daughter of the late Benjamin and Tommie Pickens.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother with a generous spirit that will last for generations. She enjoyed cooking for her family, watching soap operas, and she was an avid UConn Women's Basketball and Connecticut Suns fan. Eula is survived by her two children, Edwin Brown, Jr., and Jacqueline Brown; three grandchildren, Michael Brown and his wife Sarah, Thomas Brown, and Angel Brown. In addition to her husband, Edwin, Sr., Eula was predeceased by her son, Erik Brown.

Relatives and friends may join the family for an hour of visitation on Friday, May 20, 2022, from 11-12 p.m. at Carmon Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor. A graveside service will follow in Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations in Eula's memory may be made to the American Red Cross, PO Box 37839 Boone, IA 50037-0839. For online expressions of sympathy please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.



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Haber, Ronald "Ron"



Ronald "Ron" Haber, of Enfield, passed from his earthly journey on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at the age of 62. He was the beloved husband of 33 years to Judith "Judi" (Vumbaco) Haber. Born on April 4, 1960 in Ludlow, MA to the late Joseph and Jennie "Jane" (Grabowski) Haber, Ron was a lifelong resident of Enfield.

He was employed 37 years by Springborn Laboratories, Enfield, later acquired by UL, LLC, having started as a Lab Tech and retired as a manager of three laboratories. Ron was a member of the Enfield & Suffield Sportsman's Club, and was on bowling and golfing leagues. He enjoyed making others laugh and loved his family and friends.

In addition to his wife Judi, Ron is also survived by his daughter Amanda Haber and son Daniel Haber both of Enfield, his sister Sandra Jones & husband Richard of Enfield, his in-laws; Robert & Debra Bouyea of Willsboro, NY, John & Linda McCoy of Naperville, IL, and Michael & Kristin Vumbaco of E. Longmeadow, MA, along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

Friends and relatives may join his family during calling hours on Monday, May 16, 2022 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Browne Memorial Chapels, Enfield. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 9:00 am at the funeral home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 am in St Raymond of Penafort Parish (St. Patrick Church) Enfield. Interment will be in St. Adalbert Cemetery, Enfield. Memorial donations in his memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude PL Memphis, TN 38105-1942. To leave an online condolence message visit: www.brownememorialchapels.com.

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Marfyak, Francis James



Francis James Marfyak (84) passed away suddenly on May 9th, 2022. He was born January 1st, 1938 and lived in Collinsville for the remainder of his life. He leaves behind his wife, Loretta Marfyak, son, Francis Marfyak, Jr., his daughter, Lorrie Marfyak, son-in-law, Scott Krantz, and Lorrie's daughter, Alexis Krantz. Fran was a United States Marine Corps veteran having served for four years during the Vietnam Era attaining the rank of Lance Corporal. He supported his family through the talent of carpentry. When he retired, he spent his time going up to the Wigwam to watch NASCAR, he was a big Dale Earnhardt fan and then changed to Kevin Harvick. The Wigwam was a gathering place for all his friends on the weekends. During the winter he would sell Christmas trees and enjoyed bringing joy to his customers. He loved snowmobiling with his son and friends in New York. A blue truck took him on many long rides with his wife. Playing with his cat, Snicker and watching Fox business news were two of his favorite times.

A celebration of his life will take place at the Wigwam, 11 Swimming Pool Road, Collinsville on Saturday, May 21st starting at 12pm. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahernfuneral-home.com.

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Sabonis, Anneliese Charlotte



Anneliese Charlotte Sabonis, 3 years and seven months, woke up with God on May 10th, 2022, after peacefully saying goodbye to her family. She was always seen with a smile and felt "good" despite bravely battling brain cancer, ETMR, since February 2nd, 2021.

She declared her admiration and thanks to all the doctors, nurses, and staff at CCMC, Boston Children's, Dana Farber, and Mass General by proclaiming she wanted to become a doctor herself.

Her greatest happiness was always helping others. She was a gift and her sunshine smile shined. She was a rainbow in the lives of her family, here and gone, but forever in our hearts, bringing endless joy wherever she went. Her goodness surpassed all boundaries; she was truly a gift from god. We were thankful we got to see her personality before she passed. We were blessed beyond blessed for all of our moments with her.

She was welcomed in heaven by her maternal grandfather, Robert S. Kegler. She will be forever loved by her parents Rich and Kristen; siblings El, Richard, and Catherine; grandparents Richard Sabonis Sr., Donna Weaver and Jack Turner, Deb and George Routhier; Aunts and Uncles Dawn Sinclair, Robert and Jessica Kegler, and Amber Routhier; and cousins Dove and Jaden Sinclair, Cohen Flannagen, Genevieve and Sebastian Kegler and Aleia Hartley.

Until we meet again, we will look up to the Heavens to see her in every rainbow and at night laughing and playing with the stars in space, which she loved so much.

The Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 17th, at 10am in the Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea, Unionville. Please wear bright colors to the funeral. There are no calling hours. A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to CT Children's Department of Oncology, 282 Washington St., Hartford, CT 06106. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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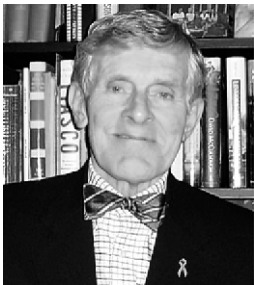
Giansiracusa Jr "Mr. G", Paul Sebastian



Originally of South Windsor, CT, passed away peacefully, April 20, 2022. Born in Winsted, CT on August 26, 1936, he resided in South Windsor for 57 years. Paul was a master mechanic operator of heavy equipment and began his career with White Oak Construction of CT. He also worked for Ben Meuci & Son's Demolition and retired from Ciambro Corp. of Maine. Paul was especially known for his crane operating skills and finesse tearing down buildings. Demolition contractors would come from all over the state to watch and learn from him. He had an extraordinary work ethic which he instilled in his family. Paul served in the National Guard during the 1955 flood, served his community in South Windsor as a Farm League baseball coach, was an HOA president for several years and was a member of the board for the Italian American Club of East Hartford, CT for many years. Paul grew up in Hartford, CT. At the age of 19, he met and married the love of his life, Rosalie Suddath. They moved to South Windsor in 1966 where they raised their children and retired. Paul was preceded in death by his loving wife of 64 years, Rosalie; and son, Glenn. He was survived by his daughter, Donna (Robert) Cormier; son, Paul (Donna) Giansiracusa III; daughter-in-law, Linda Giansiracusa; sister, Josephine Broadwell; brother, Charles; 10 nieces and nephews; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren. There will be a private inurnment at Mt. Saint Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield, CT, where he will be reunited with Rosalie. Donations can be made to the Henry Low Heart Center of Hartford Hospital at giving.hartfordhospital.org

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Lawrence, Kent Beckwith



of Boston and West Boothbay Harbor, Maine, died on May 12, 2022 in Boston from prostate cancer. He was 86 years old.

Kent was born in Boston, the son of the late Dr. Richard W. and Mary (Peckham) Lawrence. He attended schools in New England and Washington, and in 1958

graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. The day after his graduation he married his high school sweetheart, Erna MacLaughlin of Newport, R.I., in the Naval Academy Chapel. Kent and Erna then embarked side by side as he pursued a Navy career that lasted just over 20 years.

After four years in destroyers, the remainder of Kent's Navy assignments, both afloat and ashore, involved the submarine service. He served in several subs, and was commander of an attack submarine in the early 1970s. Overseas postings were in London and in Ankara, Turkey. His family accompanied him to both foreign stations, and they all greatly enjoyed the experience of living abroad.

After retiring from the Navy in 1980 Kent returned to the Boston area and embarked on a financial services career. For several years he was a stockbroker with E.F. Hutton, and subsequently became a Vice President at the Bank of Boston. In 1988 he joined Babson-United Investment Advisors as a senior investment counselor, and remained with that firm until his retirement as Vice President in 2003. Just one year later he was diagnosed with aggressive, high-risk prostate cancer, and decided to devote the remainder of his life volunteering for advocacy, education, and support of other patients. For his leadership and service in those efforts he was awarded by the American Cancer Society and the Cancer Hope Network.

In retirement Kent was also active in a wide variety of other organizations. He was a volunteer docent at Boston's Old North Church and at the Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens. He also served with Discovering Justice, Boston's nonprofit civic education organization. For several years he was with the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court as a Hearing Committee member of their Board of Bar Overseers.

He was a Proprietor of the Boston Athenaeum, and an active member of several clubs, including the Wardroom Club of Boston, the British Officers' Club of New England, the Harvard Travellers Club, and the Boston Committee on Foreign Relations. An avid genealogist, he identified eight ancestors who had served our nation's cause during the Revolutionary War, and was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

A keen boating enthusiast, he started sailing offshore at the age of 15, and kept a boat at his vacation home in Maine. He was an active member of both the Boothbay Harbor and Down East Yacht Clubs. He earned a Master's license in the U.S. Merchant Marine.

Kent was an enthusiastic and dedicated Episcopalian with an abiding belief in the love and power of God. He was a communicant and Corporation/Vestry member of Christ Church, Boston (the Old North Church). He was also a governing board member of All Saints-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church near his summer home in Maine.

The greatest joys in Kent's life came from his loving wife Erna, his family, and good friends. They all shared a bond together that grew ever stronger as years went by. He also achieved much happiness from an eclectic assortment of pleasures which included maritime art, antiques, and artifacts; the Rite One Book of Common Prayer; history; New England; gourmet food; being out on the water; positive attitudes; non-fiction books; snowstorms; Tanqueray martinis; traditional clothing; seafood; railroad trains; Maine in July and August; Boston in the other months; the music of Bach, Beethoven, and Handel; and of course the Red Sox and Patriots.

Kent is survived by Erna MacLaughlin Lawrence, his beloved wife and dearest friend with whom he shared almost 64 years of joyous married life. Erna is retired from a 22-year career at Deutsche Bank/Zurich-Scudder Investments where she was a Vice President. He also leaves a son, Richard M. Lawrence; a daughter, Kimberley L. Byrd; and her husband Christopher M. Byrd. Additional survivors include five grandchildren, his sister, and two nephews.

An Episcopal Memorial Service with Holy Communion will be held at The Old North Church in Boston on Saturday, May 28th at 10:00AM. There will also be a Memorial Service this summer at All Saints-By-the-Sea in Southport, Maine. His ashes will be inurned with Erna's in the Columbarium at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Kent's memory may be made to the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, 55 Fruit Street, Boston, MA, 02114 or The Old North Church, 193 Salem Street, Boston, MA, 02113.

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Bates, Gordon S.



A service to celebrate and give thanks for the life of Gordon S. Bates who died January 20, 2022 will be held at the First Church of Christ Congregational, 2183 Main Street, Glastonbury on Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. The family will greet guests following the service. Light refreshments will be served. The church building is universally accessible from the driveway near the front of the church and parking is available at the rear of the church. Masks are optional but strongly encouraged. The service will also be live-streamed on the First Church, Glastonbury YouTube channel, at <https://www.youtube.com/c/firstchurchglastonbury>

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Ralph, Thomas G.



Thomas "Graham" Ralph, 91, of Windsor, beloved husband of 58 years of Carole M. (Davis) Ralph, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 9, 2022.

Graham was born in Providence, RI, son of the late Thomas and Nadine (Bates) Ralph, and graduated from Killingly High School, Class of 1949. He proudly served his country in the United States Army, in the European Theatre, during the Korean War. Graham received his Bachelor's Degree from Lehigh University School of Business in 1954 and graduated from the University of Connecticut School of Insurance in 1958. He started the Ralph Insurance Agency in 1962, retiring after over 50 years of service to the community. His family will fondly remember him as a kind, compassionate, and caring man who had a passion for life.

Graham enjoyed skiing, sailing, and was an avid ballroom and swing dancer. He loved Jazz and was a drummer with several local bands, and had his own band, Graham's Cocktail Trio. In addition to his wife, Carole, Graham is survived by his son, Peter Stuart Ralph; two grandsons; his sister-in-law, Doris D. and her husband Martin McGlone. To funeral online condolences please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com



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Shemerluk, Jane (Bancroft)



Jane (Bancroft) Shemerluk, 83 of East Windsor, passed away on May 10, 2022. She was the wife of the late, Joseph Shemerluk Jr. She was born Oct. 13, 1938 in Hartford, CT to the late, Leonard and Viola (Goss) Bancroft. She attended First Congregational Church of East Windsor. She was the owner and proprietor of Old Stuff Antiques in East Windsor and then in Broad Brook. Jane spent most of her time crouching, knitting and quilting. She also loved the great outdoors and spending time with her family. Jane loved to bowl and was in numerous bowling leagues. She also was a bus driver for the East Windsor School Systems for several years. She loved to attend the Farmington Antiques Show as a weekend dealer. She attended the National Grange in Burlington, Vermont in 1991. Jane loved to attend any Antiques and Collectibles shows that she could find. She is survived by her two children and their spouses; Joseph W. and Corrine Shemerluk, Elizabeth S. and Michael S. Hoffman; her grandchildren, Amanda Jane, Brian Joseph, Emily Rachel, Mitchell Scott and Russell Joseph and his wife, Shawn, her great-grandchildren; Dane, Delanie, Kaylee Marie, Hannah Lynn, Blaze, Corrine and Victoria; she is survived by four sisters, Shirley, Dorothy, Sandra and Linda and her brother, Bruce. She was predeceased by her grandson, Joseph Adam; her two brothers, Lawrence and Leonard. Relatives and friends are welcome to join the family from 9-11a.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at the Bassinger & Dowd Funeral Home, 37 Gardner Street, East Windsor. A Funeral Service will follow at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Scantic Cemetery in East Windsor. For online condolences please visit: www.pietrasfuneralhome.com

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Thorp, Bernice L.



Bernice L. Thorp departed life on Saturday, May 7, 2022. She is deeply missed by her family.

Bernice Marie Lemke was born on February 13, 1932 to Edward F. Lemke, Sr. and Martha (Miller) Lemke in Meriden, CT. She was the second of five siblings. Bernie attended St. Mary's School and graduated from Meriden High School in 1949.

Bernie married Norman (Pete) Thorp in 1950 and moved to Yalesville, where she had four children: Priscilla (Fernand, Jr.) Tremblay, Laurel (Jose) Casanova, Bruce (Marlene) Thorp and Andrew Thorp, Sr.

Bernie had a variety of jobs in her careers. She had been a switchboard operator for the telephone company and the federal government. She worked as a wrapper for many years at Factory H for International Silver. She then worked for many years in the Deli Department at First National/Finest stores, Everybody's Market and Stop & Shop in Wallingford. She also trained as a CNA at Masonic Home and Skyview.

In 1994, she moved to East Haddam, where she worked as assistant to the Director of the Senior Center, as a postal clerk and as a deli clerk at the Grist Mill Market. She also worked as a Companion and Homemaker.

Bernie loved traveling, reading and camping. She belonged to Our Lady of Fatima Ladies Guild (Yalesville), St. Elizabeth's Society of St. Mary's Church (Meriden), St. Bridget's Ladies Guild (Moodus) and East Haddam Community Lions.

Bernie was predeceased by her parents, her sisters, Rita Coss and Carol Webster; her brother, Martin Lemke; and her granddaughter, Erin Michelle Tremblay. She is survived by her brother, Edward Lemke, Jr., her children and her grandchildren, Fernand Tremblay III, Rachel McIntosh, Ronald Tremblay II, David Casanova, Joseph Casanova, Michael Thorp, Christine Thorp, Lindsay Thorp, Andrew Thorp Jr., and Ryan Thorp. Also great grands Peyton Tremblay, Quinn Tremblay and David Casanova Jr., and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Bernie's funeral will be held at St. Boniface Cemetery, 980 Old Colony Rd., Meriden, CT on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 11 a.m. The arrangements are under the directions of the John J. Ferry & Sons Funeral Home, 88 E. Main St., Meriden, CT 06450. For online condolences, please visit jferryfh.com.

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Sabourin, Roland



Roland "Al" Sabourin, 90, of Coventry, CT beloved husband of 56 years to Maud (Salvi) Sabourin died peacefully at his home on April 3, 2022 with his wife by his side.

Roland was born in Central Falls, RI on April 10, 1931. Son of the late Roland and Mable (Bisson) Sabourin. He was predeceased by his twin brother, Gilbert Sabourin and his wife Lorraine Sabourin, and his brother Roger Sabourin. He is survived by the love of his life Maud Sabourin and his two best four legged friends Blackie and Reba, his brother Marcel Sabourin, his sister-in-law Pat Sabourin, many nieces and nephews, and great nieces and great nephews.

Roland served in the air force during the Korean Conflict. Roland worked in architectural design for many years. After his retirement he joined the CFFA and volunteered to upkeep the walking trails in Ellington, Vernon and Mansfield, CT. Roland also enjoyed fishing, traveling, camping, hiking, playing his steel guitar and entertaining friends. Roland had a love for life and enjoyed being with friends and entertaining them with his jokes and sense of humor.

Maud Sabourin would like to thank all the Flanagan children, Gwen and Dick Goldsnider, Roland's caregivers and Donna Cary for all of their help in making his last days comfortable.

A memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on May 21, 2022 at St. Mary's Church, 1600 Main Street, Coventry, CT. Visiting hours will be from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Coventry-Pietras Funeral Home, 2665 Boston Turnpike, Coventry, CT. After the burial a celebration will be held back at St. Mary's Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

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Secker, June B.



June B. Secker, age 91, of Glastonbury, formerly of East Hartford, passed away peacefully Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Fox Hill Rehabilitation Center in Vernon. The wife of the late Hugh B Secker, June was born in Blackpool, England on May 9, 1930 to William and Gertrude Baylis. June worked in the East Hartford Public School system for over 40 years as a paraprofessional. One of her greatest accomplishments was being a successful Mary Kay consultant for many years. June is survived by her daughter, Christine Hughes; two sons, Paul Secker and David Secker and his wife Gina; three grandchildren, Dianna Grindle and her husband Matthew, Andrew Secker and Adam Secker; a great-granddaughter, Ella Rose Grindle; her sister-in-law, Mary Hieromymus and several nieces and nephews.

June's family will receive family and friends on Monday, May 16 from 4-6 p.m. at the D'Esopo- East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter St., East Hartford A private burial will take place at Silver Lane Cemetery in East Hartford. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeh.com.



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Schoebel-Bean, Lisa Anne



Lisa Anne Schoebel-Bean of Pinecrest, FL, Age 58, loving mother, educator, and friend to many, passed away in the early hours on May 8, 2022, after 8 years of a courageous battle with colon cancer. Lisa was born in Hartford, CT in 1964 and grew up in Glastonbury, CT where she was surrounded by her large family. She had 7 siblings and

loving parents. Lisa's family inspired the foundation of love, kindness, and care that she carried throughout her life. Glastonbury was Lisa's happy place. She fondly remembered adventuring throughout town as a child, starting Glastonbury High School's first female field hockey team, and making lifelong friends with everyone who had the chance to meet her. After graduating from Glastonbury High, Lisa attended Tusculum College. This is where she met Tim, the father of her children. As a mother, she was unbelievably selfless, supportive, generous, loving, and kind. Her ultimate goal was to make her children as happy as she could and provide them with everything they needed to succeed. She spoiled them as much as she possibly could. Lisa was also a grandmother to two grandchildren whom she loved. She was excited her family was growing even bigger. Beyond her family, she found joy in being an educator. Lisa worked at Epiphany Catholic School in Miami, FL for 15 years as a teacher's aide in the First Grade and most recently as an aide in the Resource Room. She touched the lives of many students and faculty. In her free time, she enjoyed spending time with her loved ones. One of her favorite places was Lake Winnepesaukee. Many early morning hikes, afternoon boat rides, and late-night board games were enjoyed, and those memories will be forever cherished. Lisa will be missed greatly by her family and friends. She truly made an impact on everyone she met. She was an angel on earth and will now be a guardian angel in heaven for all of us.

Lisa is survived by her four children, Kiley, Patrick, Timothy, and Crystal, her grandchildren Destin and Ophelia, her brothers, Henry Schoebel, William Schoebel and Richard (Meredith) Schoebel, her sisters, Ellen (Mitchell) Hansen, Jeanne (Leo) Holihan, Marie (Douglas) Sands and many nephews and nieces. She was predeceased by her parents Henry and Jeanne Schoebel and her sister Nancy Schoebel Foster.

On Friday, May 20, 2022, there will be a viewing from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. at the Farley Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Naubuc Ave, Glastonbury. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Lisa's life will be held at 10:30 a.m. in Saint Paul Church of SS. Isidore and Maria Parish, 2577 Main Street, Glastonbury. Burial will immediately follow at the Green Cemetery, 99 Hubbard St., Glastonbury. In Lisa's memory we suggest donations be made in her name to the American Cancer Society or to a charity of your choice. For further information, or to leave a condolence, please visit FarleySullivan.com

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Pinkowish, Alexander



Alexander Alphonse Pinkowish, of Bristol, died May 7, 2022 at Bristol Hospital. He was born in Lowell, Massachusetts on February 25, 1924 to Jędrzej “Andrew” Pinkowicz (Pienkowicz) and Mary Anna Dudzisk Pinkowicz of Drohobyczka, Poland and he was the beloved husband for 55 years of Juddie Eleanor Warzecho Pinkowish of Forestville, who passed in December 25, 2007. Alexander graduated from Bristol High School Class of 1942 and became a member of the 460th bomber group in Italy during World War II. After the war, Alexander graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science in Metallurgical Engineering and Rensselaer Polytechnic University with Master’s Degree in Engineering Science. He worked briefly for Bristol Brass and then for Pratt & Whitney from 1953-1987 as a Senior Design Metallurgist in the Metallurgical Engineering Research Lab. Alexander was predeceased by his brother Stanley Pinkowish and sisters Mildred Dombrowski, Caroline Levine, Anna Pinkowicz, Antonet Illusky and Lucy Stockman, and daughter in-law Dawn Czczinski Pinkowish. Alexander was a devoted and attentive father to four sons, Jan, of Bristol, Peter, of Larchmont, NY, Steven, of Harwinton, and Thomas, of Essex. Dad was a consummate scientist/engineer, home inventor, and reader who was always interested in new topics, people, and current affairs. He enjoyed playing bridge and tennis, fixing things around the house, family vacations to Cape Cod, taking his boys fishing, and traveling with Juddie to California, Florida, and Europe. He was an active Member of the Bristol Rotary and was named a Paul Harris Fellow honoring his service. He leaves three grandchildren, of whom he was very proud: Michael Pinkowish of San Francisco, CA and Caroline (Pinkowish) Regan of Weston, CT, and Alexander Pinkowish of Essex, CT, and his daughters-in law, Mary Desmond Pinkowish of Larchmont, and Mary Boone of Essex. A funeral mass will be held on Tuesday, May 17, at 10am at St. Joseph Church, Queen St., Bristol. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours will be held Monday evening from 5-7pm at DuPont Funeral Home, 25 Bellevue Ave., Bristol. Family and friends may leave a condolence message by visiting www.dupontfuneralhome.com

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Sorrow, Geoffrey



Geoffrey A. Sorrow, 75, of Lake Road, died May 4, 2022, in Bridgeport Hospital. Born in Hartford, Connecticut, he was the biological son of the late Frederick Sorrow and Mary Cronin. Geoff came to the home of John and Bridget (Quigley) Dunn at the age of 12. He attended and graduated from Killingly Central School and Marianapolis Preparatory School. After graduation, he received a bachelor’s degree from Providence College. During the Vietnam Era, Geoff served our country as a medic in the Army. Geoff was an employee of the Social Security Administration for over 40 years. He worked in many Social Security offices in New England and the Boston Regional Office. He retired as manager of the Worcester Office. He was committed to public service and the employees he supervised. He considered it a vocation to help people get the benefits that they needed. Mr. Sorrow was a member of the Saint Joseph Church in Dayville. Upon its closure, he began attending daily Mass at Our Lady of LaSalette Church. Geoff was a very active member of the church; in addition to daily Mass, he acted as a lector and a Eucharistic minister. Geoffrey is survived by siblings Annarita (Jerry) Erwin, John (Virginia) Dunn; nephews, Patrick Murray, Jerry (Rachael) Erwin, Jr., and John (Susan) Quigley Erwin; great-nephews, Connor English and Sean Erwin; and great-nieces, Ashley (Matthew) English, Grace Quigley and Katrina Quigley Erwin. Geoff is also survived by cherished friends, Nancy Morales and Colleen Brady. In addition to his biological parents, Geoffrey is also predeceased by his loving foster parents, John and Bridget (Quigley) Dunn and sister Mary Elizabeth Murray. Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Geoffrey’s family from 10:30 am to 11:30 am on Monday, May 16, 2022, in Our Lady of LaSalette Church, 21 Providence Road, Brooklyn, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11:30 am. Burial to follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, Dayville, CT. Memorial donations may be made to Our Lady of LaSalette Church or to the Fisher House Foundation at VA Connecticut Healthcare System, Fisher House (135F), Attn: Amanda Salthouse, Fisher House Program Manager, 950 Campbell Avenue, West Haven, CT 06516. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com

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Theroux, David R.



David R. Theroux, 67, of Bristol, husband of 42 years to Sandra Belanger Theroux, passed away on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at home surrounded by his loving wife and daughter. David was born on November 2, 1954 in Bristol and was a son of the late Edgar and Olive (Mareane) Theroux. David was a lifelong parishioner of St. Joseph Church; graduating from St. Joseph School and later from St. Paul Catholic High School in 1972. He worked in Retail Management for 40 years until his retirement in 2020. In addition to his wife he is survived by his daughter Amanda Theroux of Bristol; his brother Edward (Debbie) Theroux of New Hampshire; his sister Patricia Quick (Marvin Pratt) of Chaplin; mother-in-law: Rosalind Belanger of Southington; brother-in-law: Bruce (Jaci) Belanger; sister-in-law: Cheryl (Neil) Cassarella; several nieces and nephews; and special friends; Gerald & Sharon Rossier and Father Christopher Cleary. In addition to his parents, David was predeceased by a sister, Barbara Smith and father-in-law: Nelson Belanger. The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Brahaj and the staff at Bristol Hospital Cancer Care Center, and Bristol Home Car, especially his hospice nurse Julie. “The highest tribute to the dead is not grief but gratitude.” Thornton Wilder Private funeral services have been entrusted to Funk Funeral Home, 35 Bellevue Avenue, Bristol, and David will be entombed in Holy Family Mausoleum at St Joseph’s Cemetery, Bristol. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Joseph Church, 33 Queen St., Bristol, CT 06010 or Hospice of Bristol, P.O. Box 977, Bristol, CT 06010. To leave an online condolence go to David’s memorial page at www.FunkFuneralHome.com



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In Loving Memory Of LARS GULDAGER



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Please join us for a memorial service to celebrate Lars Guldager’s life on Sunday, 22 May 2022, 1-4 pm, at the Pond House at Elizabeth Park, 1555 Asylum Ave., West Hartford, CT. Join us for a send-off party he would love! To help plan the event, please RSVP to his daughter, Nikki Guldager (niki.guldager@gmail.com), though RSVP is not required.

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Former Polish President Lech Walesa with interpreter Magdalena Iwinska on Tuesday evening at Infinity Hall in Hartford. **DON STACOM/HARTFORD COURANT**

We need to heed the lessons of Lech Walesa

Ex-Polish president, Nobel Peace Prize winner devoted to liberty, human rights

By Anthony Viscogliosi

As someone who came of age in the 1970s and '80s, one of my heroes was Lech Walesa. The electrician in the Gdansk Shipyard in communist-controlled Poland who went on to topple communism and change the world — with a stop along the way as president of Poland in 1990 — without a single shot being fired.

Walesa's example has taught the world for more than 40 years, from his days as a shipyard worker, to his creation of the Solidarity movement in Poland, to his being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, to Poland's freedom in 1989, his election as president a year later and the dissolution of the Soviet Union a year after that. His lessons: dignity, faith and an unbending commitment to liberty and human rights.

Walesa's words and deeds inspired me as a young man and led to my military career, as well as my business career dedicated to health care, helping people and serving my community.

President Walesa visited Connecticut this past week and I had the great

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Lech Walesa, head of the striking workers delegation, addresses striking workers on Aug. 26, 1980, at the Lenin shipyard in Gdansk, Poland. On Aug. 31, 2020, Poland celebrated 40 years since it took a crucial step toward democracy with the creation of the Soviet bloc's first free trade union, Solidarity. **REPORTAGEBILD**

GOP challenge to Blumenthal splinters at convention



Kevin Rennie

State Democrats unanimously nominated Richard Blumenthal for a third term in the United States Senate on May 6. Blumenthal's campaign has around \$8 million on hand and easy access to more. This is the Greenwich Democrat's eighth statewide campaign. He has been in public office for 42 years and is the state's most familiar public official.

Three Republicans have begun

a campaign without pity against each other to face Blumenthal in November. Each is certain he or she can defeat him in November. On May 7, Republican delegates to the party's nominating convention endorsed former state Rep. Themis Klarides as the party's nominee with 56% of their votes.

Republican National Committeewoman Leora Levy and Fairfield lawyer Peter Lumaj each received about 22% of the delegate votes, easily surpassing the 15% required to qualify for an August primary. Klarides, who served in the House for 22 years — four as minority leader — had been expected to win more support than she did on the day.

She might have if a barrage of negative text messages had not reached delegates in the run-up to the convention.

Harsh political campaigns are an American staple. Technology has created campaign equivalents of cruise missiles. Text messages are becoming the tool of choice. The day before the start of the Republican convention, delegates received a text message accusing Klarides of voting for Joe Biden, being pro-choice (or pro-abortion, as the text put it), and supporting both gun control and COVID-19 mandates. The message also raised Klarides's ties to utility giant Eversource through her marriage to top company execu-

tive Gregory Butler.

In 52 words, the message detonated some of the most potent political commandments of Republican orthodoxy. It was — and will remain — a challenge for Klarides to refute. She says she did not vote for Biden in 2020. Klarides says she wrote in her immediate predecessor as leader of the House Republicans, Lawrence Cafero, for president. That may be a clarification Donald Trump supporters find more infuriating than persuasive.

Klarides voted for the state gun control laws enacted after the 2021 Sandy Hook School massacre. Many Republicans did, but a decade, especially the last one, can bring dramatic changes

in a political party's prevailing consensus. There was a broader consensus in the state two years ago as the global pandemic bore down on us. The COVID-19 mandates were intrusive, disruptive — and necessary at a time without vaccines or effective treatments. Klarides's last term in office ended before opposition to mandates became another fever that refuses to break.

Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito's leaked draft opinion overruling 1973's Roe v. Wade abortion opinion has upended many of the year's political expectations for now. We do not know what the final opinion will say, how

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support for the Flower House in Avon

The Courant’s front page article of the owners of the Avon “Flower House” experiencing hate, violence and verbal abuse is appalling [Page 1, May 9, “Vandals not stopping me”]. As many Farmington and Avon residents, I frequently pass the beautiful home and gardens that are on display for everyone to enjoy. I find it ridiculous that those who have been involved in the current harassment tactics against the D’Esopos are the same extremists who demand free speech and individual rights and demonstrate their support for all forms of violence to protect these rights. They wrap themselves in American flags and MAGA hats and demand that they have the right to make America great again. Great for whom?

The D’Esopos have the right to have signs or banners on their property as long as they do not violate Avon zoning regulations. Why is it so difficult to allow their neighbors to express their opinion? What are they afraid of and why can they not be civil? Why do they want to stifle free speech? I am happy that this has received attention and hope that those responsible cease these tactics and allow good people to live in peace in their neighborhood.

Patricia Karwoski, Farmington

Another Lamont boondoggle

Two recent events cast further doubt on the ill-fated Lamont administration plan to make New London the center of offshore wind construction. On April 28, Orsted signed an agreement with New Jersey to utilize its massive 200-acre wind port to support its offshore wind construction activities. Friday’s Courant reported that Eversource is considering withdrawal from its partnership with Orsted in an offshore wind venture. This venture was going to be the driver for the viability of the New London project.

These events cast considerable doubt on the viability of that already-troubled \$236 million New London State Pier project managed by the scandal-plagued Connecticut Port Authority. This is another sad example of the fallacy of government choosing winners and losers. One would think that a governor who touts his business acumen would not advocate for projects that don’t make business sense and waste huge amounts of taxpayer money.

Roger Kern, Essex

Twitter quitters should unite

Now that Donald Trump’s possible return to Twitter has become front-page news, I wonder if some Twitter subscribers will quit their accounts in protest. I have never been a Twitter member, but were I one, I would certainly quit the app in protest to Elon Musk, Trump and his base, the Republican Party. In fact, if millions of Twitter users publicly submitted a final tweet declaring their reasons for exiting Twitter, that would be a truly effective use of social media.

Jack Pasanen, Burlington



LINK e-scooters, like the one seen above, have been deployed around downtown Hartford and about 250,000 trips have been logged since the rental program began in April 2021. According to the company, Hartford’s ridership ranks among the highest in the country during that span. **COURANT FILE**

EDITORIAL

LINK is a fun, eco-friendly way to scoot around Hartford

Have you LINK-ed yet?

If you have ridden a LINK electric scooter in Hartford, you are in a lot of company, as the operator says the rental program logged some 250,000 trips in the year since it was launched here.

Further, the Superpedestrian LINK scooters here have traveled more than 400,000 miles in that time, according to the company.

That’s a lot of traveling in a city that encompasses only about 18 square miles, and the company has noted this is among the highest riderships in the nation.

For a service that is not free and takes some balance — and should never be done without a helmet — our hat is off to those in the city who want to reduce their carbon footprint as well as safely get to where they need to go in Hartford.

Launched in late April last year with 250 silver and bright yellow scooters that have an internal GPS system, the scooters have been rolled out around Hartford, logging more than 17,000 rides in the first month, according to the company.

According to the city, the

LINK scooters are engineered and operated by Superpedestrian, the Cambridge, Massachusetts-based “robotics firm that was spun out of MIT in 2013, and the city partnered with the Capitol Region Council of Governments to offer the electric scooter system at no cost to the city. The no-cost-to-the-city part is key as it shows the appeal of bringing a new service here, as well as not adding to the very high tax rate city residents pay.

The company also has a program through which residents who receive state, local or federal assistance can qualify for a 70% discount.

There were some bumps, including that LINK scooters were seen traveling on I-84 near downtown Hartford last year. The company said it then installed geofence protections on the scooters to prevent them from operating on the highway.

“We take street safety extremely seriously — both for riders and all other community members,” Paul Steely White, director of development and public affairs at Superpedestrian, said at the time.

The geofencing is designed to keep the scooters away from places they should not go. They come to a slow stop if they approach such an area, according to the company.

The company also sought to increase safety late last year when it reduced top speeds for first-time riders for the duration of their first ride. That meant first-time riders have a maximum initial ride speed of 8 mph, not the usual 15 mph. That was a smart move; 15 mph is too fast for the inexperienced.

An important element is that electric scooter riders are required to follow the rules of the road, including operating on the road, riding with traffic, and following traffic signs, signals and regulations. Riders who do not do so could be ticketed.

But the concept is readily available to those of us who love the phrase “there’s an app for that” as riders can download the Superpedestrian mobile app and then use the map to find the nearest available scooter.

Riders then scan the scooter’s QR code to begin. Rides are \$1 to unlock a scooter and then 36

cents per minute.

Using the Uber app (which had to be downloaded to get this estimate) to gauge about how much it would cost for a 4 ½-mile Uber ride in Hartford, it came up with an estimated \$9.90 for a regular ride and up to \$13.45 for an “XL” ride in a larger vehicle. Google maps estimated that for the fictitious trip, using Asylum Avenue was the shortest route, and it would take about 14 minutes in light traffic.

Based on the e-scooters rates, users would spend about \$8.20 for a 20-minute ride, more if that same trip took longer. And, of course, there’s no top on the e-scooters in case of rain or other inclement weather.

But bad weather — or at least cold weather — apparently was not an impediment for intrepid Hartford riders: Data recently supplied by the company showed that more than 100,000 of the miles to date were traveled during the winter months.

So kudos to those riding safely — and “safely” is a key word here — in this new mode of travel that will cut the city’s carbon footprint.

Rennie

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many justices may write limiting concurring opinions, or whether any of the justices voting with Alito may change his or her mind.

Klarides is not a Connecticut outlier. Roe, reduced to its essentials, concluded a state did not have an interest in restricting abortions in the first trimester of a woman’s pregnancy, some in the second, and a lot in the third. In 1992, the Supreme

Court adopted a standard that prohibited obstacles to abortions before a fetus is viable, generally seen as 24 weeks into a woman’s pregnancy. Klarides is one of the many state Republican voters, candidates and officeholders who supported Roe for decades. Levy was part of that state Republican tradition a decade ago. Now she describes herself as the only pro-life woman in the race. Lumaj also opposes abortion.

Connecticut enshrined abortion rights protections in state law more than 30 years ago.

The state has long been one of 16 that provide coverage for poor women seeking abortions. There will be many ads and texts among Republican primary candidates on abortion that may sink Klarides with party voters.

Instead of imposing rigid litmus tests, maybe one of the candidates will take a breath and share some ideas on issues that are not party dogma intended to enrage. A lot of Connecticut residents use home oil for hot water and heat. It costs \$5 a gallon today. That’s

more than double what it cost two years ago.

Most Americans have not lived through a prolonged period of inflation. It is destructive, anxiety-inducing and painful to reverse. By August, primary voters will want to hear candidates explain their solutions to that complicated challenge — in complete sentences and sober paragraphs.

Kevin F. Rennie of South Windsor is a lawyer and a former Republican state senator and representative.

Walesa

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honor of spending time with him. His return to Connecticut could justifiably have been based on a look backward through his remarkable career. But he came with a message about the future — that the work of humanitarianism and preserving liberty never stops, and there is much more to do.

President Walesa’s priority now is raising money to aid the millions of Ukrainian refugees who have sought shelter in Poland following Russia’s unlawful invasion of Ukraine three months ago. He made his intentions clear to a captivated audi-

ence at Infinity Hall in Hartford on Tuesday: “This time [Vladimir] Putin has made a mistake. Somehow he has inspired the whole world to unite and oppose Russia. It’s a great opportunity for the world to give the final blow to Russia.”

What moves a 78-year-old man who has already done so much to alter history for the better to keep working and keep moving forward when it would be so easy to retire and leave the work to someone else?

In a word: service. And for a man like Lech Walesa, service to humankind never ends.

Service is what led him to take on tyranny when it harmed him and his fellow workers in the

Polish shipyards, where before he arrived, workers’ rights didn’t exist.

Service is what led to his numerous arrests and government harassment, as well as student strikes, protests and the birth of a labor movement that would grow to 10 million strong in communist-controlled Poland.

Service is what led to the struggle and the reward — a free Poland — and later his election as president and ascendancy to the role of international statesman and goodwill ambassador. Tireless, inexhaustible service, it is what still drives him today on worldwide humanitarian tours.

As an American, I believe service is as much a part of being

a citizen of our nation as voting, capitalism and freedom, yet I fear that too many take service to others for granted. Having been a free people for so long — 246 years and counting — it’s natural for some to accept these great gifts as givens, rather than hard-earned. But as Walesa says: The work of preserving liberty never stops.

We all need to heed the lessons of Walesa — this charming and irrepressible man of perceptive wit and relentless faith — to remind ourselves of the necessity and the joy of service. His work is nowhere near done, he told us all this past week. For the people of Ukraine. For peace and prosperity in the world. For the human

spirit.

Nor should ours be.

“So here is my appeal to you,” he told the crowd made up overwhelmingly of United States citizens. “Take advantage of this opportunity that has been given to us.”

Amen, Mr. President. Thank you for your service and for these lessons in humanitarianism we will not soon forget.

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COMMENTARY

President Biden needs to rediscover his inner Scranton Joe



Martin Schram

President Joe Biden launched a new offensive of message politics this past week, but appeared to be operating without the inner circle confidant he needs now more than ever.

With his polls still underwater and prices still soaring, Biden was clearly performing on our news screens and behind the scenes as his own master strategist, maestro and leading man. In White House news events and in appearances in the heartland, Biden seemed determined, indeed desperate, to reverse all negatives at once. Yet as we watched, it seemed clear that Biden had been unable to channel his inner Scranton Joe.

Throughout his career, Biden has never been at his best when he was speaking and acting without the benefit of Scranton Joe's Middle American instincts and restraining influences. He has always been at his best when he could hear and heed that inner voice, forged by the common-sense concerns of heartland families, as it demurred: "No, Joe! Don't go there!" Surely there were times when it spoke to him just in time to avert the unwise blurt that had been known to become the gaffe that eclipsed the news he had intended to make.

Consider Tuesday. President Biden was going to hold one major news event to explain everything that his administration had done and will be doing to restrain and reduce inflation.

He would name each inflationary category: gasoline, groceries, prescription medicines, and so on, detail the inflationary cause of each, and detail his solutions. First the pandemic caused the inflation crisis. Then Vladimir Putin's war on Ukraine made it way, way worse.

But there would be more: He also wanted to leave all middle-class Americans with a permanent positive impression that would remain with all who watched. Namely: That Joe Biden is as rock solid and working class as they are. He was raised in a family just like theirs. He shares their basic concerns and values — and especially their concerns about the need to control and reverse rampant inflation, the main concern that is discussed night after night at their kitchen tables; just the way it used to be discussed at the Biden family's kitchen table.

But there would be still more: Biden was determined to bash and smash the pro-Trump wing that now dominates the Republican Party and attacks him regularly. He also would insist on coining and then repeating many times his favorite name-calling insult: "ultra-MAGA Republicans."

TIME OUT: In decades of talking with voters and holding focus groups with TV news watchers, I learned long ago that if a leader starts political name-calling, it turns off viewers big time. If the leader repeats it, he or she becomes no longer a trusted leader but just another politician that they no longer like or trust.

Also, viewers cannot keep track of issue complexities without visual graphics we all need to help us learn. And if a person is just talking a substantive but detailed stream of numbers, we all get confused, many lose focus, and very few remain positively impressed.

FAST FORWARD: The result was a message politics disaster. Biden's mash began with a monologue of 3,259 words, a stream of consciousness in which he self-destructed his own message strategy and goals.

There's a lot that Scranton Joe could have suggested and cautioned, if only President Biden had thought to consult his inner voice of experience. After all, Scranton Joe knows well what those working-class families really wanted to hear their president tell them when they are faced with having to decide whether they can afford the groceries they need and the prescription drugs family members may require.

Indeed, Scranton Joe could have impressed upon POTUS the fact that he

really had a compelling story to tell about what the administration has done in each case. Including examples of corporations unpatriotically price-gouging and tax-evading that the president has worked to halt — and should have been spotlighting for all Americans to see.

Biden's White House advisers could indeed create a series of separate daily events. Imagine a week with one event each day in which the president meets with a family. They discuss the family's most pressing inflation crisis — gas prices, insulin price-gouging, groceries, etc. Then Biden and the appropriate Cabinet secretary explain what they have done and will do to ease their crisis.

EPILOGUE: Two hours after Tuesday's eye-glazing event, at the daily White House news briefing, reporters predictably asked about why Biden kept using the term "ultra-MAGA Republicans. "Who came up with this phrase 'ultra-MAGA'?" a reporter asked. "Why the need to kick it up a notch? MAGA wasn't enough?"

"I will tell you, it is the president's phrase," said press secretary Jen Psaki. She explained our wordsmithing president felt "adding a little 'ultra' to it" gave the phrase "a little extra pop."

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Abortion rights activists march Sept. 13 to the house of Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh in Chevy Chase, Maryland, following the court's decision to uphold a Texas abortion law. NICHOLAS KAMM/GETTY-AFP 2021

US justices looking more like politicians

By Noah Feldman
Bloomberg Opinion

The Supreme Court is unraveling. The recent leak of Justice Samuel Alito's draft opinion that would overturn the 1973 abortion rights precedent Roe v. Wade is just part of it.

The court began to leak even before the opinion (there were reports in late April that Chief Justice John Roberts was trying to coax Justice Brett Kavanaugh to abandon the anti-Roe majority) as well as after (there were reports that Kavanaugh hadn't wavered). Huge fences have gone up around the court, blocking access for protesters and everybody else. The justices are also facing protests outside their homes.

The importance of these developments lies in how they are transforming the institution's political character. The justices' decisions have never been apolitical. How could they be, when hard questions of constitutional law require the application of moral judgment about political institutions? Yet the justices haven't been seen as politicians — nor have they seen themselves that way.

That's changing. The court's deliberations hadn't leaked the way the political branches do. Now they do — because ordi-

nary institutional politics provides benefits to leaking.

Congress and the White House need to be guarded aggressively from the public because politics incenses some people and makes others downright crazy. Now, quite suddenly, the Supreme Court needs similar protection.

Justices historically have not usually been surrounded by security details. Justice David Souter used to jog by himself around the Southeast Washington neighborhood where he lived. Justice Stephen Breyer walks through Cambridge, Massachusetts, unmolested and often unrecognized. Now the justices are likely to need personal protection. Protesters won't just gather in front of the conservatives' homes. The liberals will be in for it, too.

The reason this is all happening is that the Supreme Court is doing something unprecedented in almost a century, namely planning to take away a right that it guaranteed almost 50 years ago. The court has long operated by expanding individual liberties, not contracting them.

This kind of change in the way the court operates and is perceived as a political body is disrupting the infrastructure that has sustained the court's institutional life.

Make no mistake: The threat of overturning Roe is what generated the leaks.

It's what is generating the protests. The flip in the court's abortion jurisprudence is making the justices look like politicians and the court like a political institution.

Conservatives would no doubt rejoin that it was Roe v. Wade that made the court political, not the effort to overturn it. Although there is some plausibility to this argument insofar as Roe took abortion rights out of the hands of state legislatures, the truth is that the Roe decision was not inherently more political than the great court decisions of the 1950s and '60s, including Brown v. Board of Education. Expanding individual liberties inevitably puts the court in a position of ruling legislative preferences unconstitutional. Doing so is political in the sense that it relies in part on political-moral judgments. But it wasn't and need not be political in the institutional sense.

Since World War II, the Supreme Court as an institutional actor found a way to protect and expand individual freedom while building a sense of its own legitimacy and role. Liberals liked the big rights expansions for women and gays, for example. Conservatives liked the expansion of free speech rights, to corporations and individuals alike. Both sides wanted the court to tilt their way. Both sides thought that the court's legitimacy was desirable to

the extent it served them.

Even the Bush v. Gore decision, which settled the deadlocked 2000 election in favor of George W. Bush, didn't derail the court's legitimacy. It was followed over the next decade and a half by the court's slow but firm series of decisions against unlawful detention in the war on terror and in favor of same-sex marriage. Conservatives got a ruling that partly defanged the Affordable Care Act and the Citizens United decision invalidating restrictions on campaign donations that Democrats had favored. The legitimacy balance held.

That balance is now likely to be displaced. That means Americans will be not able to rely on the court to protect and expand liberty in a way that achieves national buy-in. That, in turn, will leave people wondering who, exactly, will have the institutional role of protecting individual rights. State legislatures? Congress? The president?

The answer is none of the above. Politicians, at least in the U.S., aren't very good at protecting liberty. If, as appears likely, the Supreme Court takes itself out of the liberty protection business, its justices will look like politicians.

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Collective effort

New partnership with National Asian Theater Company will distinguish Long Wharf's final show in its permanent space

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

"Queen" is about women. "Queen" is about bees. Behind the scenes, it's about new ways of working together.

The play by Madhuri Shekar marks the start of a new collaboration between the Long Wharf Theatre in New Haven and New York's National Asian American Theatre Co., also known as NAATCO.

"Queen" — a play about two doctoral students who discover an error in a major paper on bee populations that they are about to publish — will also be the last regular show that the Long Wharf will produce at 222 Sargent Dr., the space it has called home since the company was founded in 1965.

Mia Katigbak, the founder and producing artistic director of NAATCO, is best known in Connecticut as an actor — she was in TheaterWorks Hartford's internationally acclaimed virtual political drama "Russian Troll Farm," the world premiere of "The Plot" at Yale Repertory Theatre and Long Wharf's production of the Lucas Hnath hit "A Doll's House Part 2."

Katigbak is not performing in "Queen." As part of NAATCO's exciting new partnership with Long Wharf, she is one of its producers.

Katigbak says she and Long Wharf Artistic Director Jacob Padrón "laid the seeds for a partnership" a while ago. They met when Padrón was senior line producer for, and Katigbak was starring in, the New York Public Theater's all-Asian-American revival of "Awake and Sing" in 2015. By the time Padrón, who is also the founder of the Latinx theater initiative the Sol Project, took over the Long Wharf, Katigbak says, "I was already thinking of starting a partnership project."

"Partnership" is a significant word here. Many theaters commonly enter into "co-productions," which simply means sharing costs and resources for a show that will then play at more than one theater. Katigbak, whose company advocates for greater representation of Asian theater practitioners, is looking for



"Queen" by Madhuri Shekar is at the Long Wharf Theatre May 17 through June 5.
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TOP 10 THINGS TO DO AND SEE THIS WEEK

From Sting to 'Queen' bees to B. Simone

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

From Sting (a musician) to "Queen" (a play), from "The Summer Place" to "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," things are not what they may seem this week in Connecticut culture. There's also a week of new plays in Hartford and a weekend of youth ballet in New London. Spring is getting zingy finally.

A bridge to Sting

Sting released an album last year, "The Bridge," that many fans consider a happy return to his pop/rock roots, though he throws some jazz and folk in there as well. At least it's not another lute album. Sting's on tour, stinging Mohegan Sun Arena, 1 Mohegan Sun Blvd., Uncasville, on May 15 at 8 p.m. The "special guest" opening act is his son Joseph Sumner. \$69-\$149. mohegansun.com.

In the Works

The New Works Festival at TheaterWorks Hartford offers a chance to check out four brand new scripts. Three of the shows — "The Drop-Off" by James Anthony Taylor, "Egress" by Melissa Crespo and Sarah Saltwick and "Andy Warhol Presents: The Cocaine Play" by Terry Guest are pre-taped and streaming for the duration of the fest, May 16-22. A fourth, "Dearly Beloved" by Brooke Berman, will be performed live on May 21 at 2 p.m. at TheaterWorks 233 Pearl St., Hartford, followed by a talkback at 3:45 p.m., a panel discussion on new work at 4:30 p.m. and a cocktail reception at

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Connecticut museum and gallery exhibits

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

Connecticut is rich with art galleries, museums and artists in all corners of the state, with gorgeous and engaging exhibits opening every week. Venues that are open to the public, as well as outdoor exhibits, are listed. Visit their websites for social distancing rules.

Hartford County

Chez Est, 458 Wethersfield Ave. in Hartford: "Lari Freeman: It's Complicated" will be up until mid-June. newhavenpridecenter.org/exhibitions/exhibit-queer-art.

New Britain Museum of American Art, 56 Lexington St.: "North America Divided," which pairs 19th-century landscapes and genre

scenes with works by contemporary artists Neil Jenney and Valerie Hegarty, is up until March 2023. "American Art in New Britain: The Evolution of the NBMAA" is up until Oct. 1. "Eva LeWitt" is up until Nov. 11, 2023. "The Poetry of Nature: Hudson River School Landscapes from the New-York Historical Society" is up to May 22. "Cowboys, Detectives, and Daredevils: Pulp Art at the NBMAA" is up until Aug. 7. The

Helen Frankenthaler virtual reality space is now on view. nbmaa.org.

Real Art Ways, 56 Arbor St. in Hartford: "Your Absence Is My Monument: Merik Goma" is up until May 22. "Battlegrounds Elizabeth Flood" is up until June 12. "Teeter/Totter: Ken Morgan and Peter Waite" is up until May 22.

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Work by Gray Jacobik is on view at Ben Parker Studio, as part of the exhibit "River Valley Artists Abstract Works." GRAY JACOBIK

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Exhibits

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Art League of New Britain, 30 Cedar St.: 15th Annual Spring Open Juried Exhibit is up to June 5. alnb.org.

Main Street in Hartford: A stroll down Main Street provides ample artworks to view. In front of the library, there is a sculpture by David Hayes and a statue of Mark Twain. Between City Hall and Wadsworth Athenum is Alexander Calder's massive red "Stegosaurus." In front of the Athenum are a newly refurbished statue of Nathan Hale and sculptures by Conrad Shawcross, Tony Smith and William Turnbull. Across the street from the Athenumn is Carl Andre's "Stone Field Sculpture." Also across the street from the Athenum is the Bushnell Towers sculpture garden. thewadsworth.org.

New England Air Museum, 36 Perimeter Road in Windsor Locks: An exhibit about New England women who made significant contributions to the history of aviation will be on permanent display. neam.org.

Marlborough Art Center, 231 North Main St.: "Members Art Show" is up till June 5. marlborougharts.org.

Connecticut Historical Society, One Elizabeth St. in Hartford: "Formative: Frederick Law Olmsted in Connecticut" is up to Aug. 28. "Common Struggle Individual Experience: An Exhibition About Mental Health" will be up until Oct. 15. Permanent exhibits are "Making Connecticut" and "Inn & Tavern Signs of Connecticut." chs.org.

Monastery Gallery of Art at the Holy Family Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Road in West Hartford: "In the Spirit of Trust" is up until June 19. monasterygallery.art.

Galleries @ WORK_SPACE, 903 Main St. in Manchester: "Art of Pride," works reflecting on the LGBTQ experience, is up to June 30. workspacemanchester.com.

Lost Acres Vineyard, 80 Lost Acres Road in North Granby: "The Land That Feeds Us: Body, Mind and Soul," artworks by Kate Emery of Farmington, will be on view to May 30. lostacres-vineyard.com.

Kent Library, 50 North Main St. in Suffield: presents work by members of the Manchester Art Association until May 31. suffield-library.org.

West Hartford Art League, 37 Buena Vista Road: "Hand Crafted," an exhibit and sale of hand-made work by local artists including Anita Balkun, Steve Balkun, Amanda Surveski, Eddie Hall, Deanna Johnson, Dana Rau, Beth Reynolds and Mark Schoell, is up until June 5. westhartfordart.org.

Farmington Valley Arts Center, 25 Arts Center Drive in Avon: "Seeing Color & Light: Mari Skarp-Bogli and Charles Dmytriw" and a group portraiture exhibit are up to May 28. artsfvac.org.

ArtWalk at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main St.: "Artifact: Megyn Craine" is up from May 13 to June 25. hpjct.org.

Windsor Art Center, 40 Mechanic St.: "Acceptance Through the Ages," an LGBTQ-themed exhibit, is up to June 30. windsorartcenter.org.

Wadsworth Athenum Museum of Art, 600 Main St. in Hartford: "Hartford Youth Art Renaissance (HYAR) It's Only Natural" is up to May 29. "Milton Avery" will be up



Roberta Bayley's photo of The Ramones is part of the exhibit "Punk is Coming" at MoCA Westport. **ROBERTA BAYLEY/MOCA WESTPORT**

to June 5. "Edward Russell Thaxter: Love's First Dream" is up to July 3. thewadsworth.org.

Art Gallery at University of Saint Joseph, 1678 Asylum Ave. in West Hartford: "Four Works by Ann McCoy" is up to May 28. usj.edu/arts/art-museum.

Clare Gallery at St. Patrick—St. Anthony Church, 285 Church St. in Hartford: "Beyond the Subject: Work by Fr. Michael Reyes O.F.M." will be up to May 23. spsact.org.

Gallery on the Green, on the town green in Canton: "A. Walter Kendra: A Life in Art" plus a group show, "Down to Earth," are up to May 21. galleryonthegreen.org.

Hans Weiss Newspace Gallery at Manchester Community College, on Great Path Road: Spring Arts Festival is up from May 12 to Aug. 24. manchesterc.c.edu/hans-weiss-newspace/

Tolland County

William Benton Museum of Art, 245 Glenbrook Road at UConn in Storrs: "Tradition and Transformation: Mithila Art of India" is up until July 31. benton.uconn.edu.

Homer Babbidge Library on the campus of UConn in Storrs: "Beth Pite, Colorscapes" and "Awake: The Art & Design of Anthony Foronda" are on view through the end of summer. lib.uconn.edu/about/exhibits.

Saxton B. Little Free Library, 319 Route 87 in Columbia: Artwork by Helen Cantrell is on show until May 31. columbiactlibrary.org.

Arts of Tolland, on the town green: Work by local photographer Tom Ouellette will be up until May 31. tomouellettephotodesign.com.

Arts Center East, 709 Hartford Turnpike in Vernon: "Academic Artists Association 72nd Annual Exhibition of Traditional Realism" will be up May 12 to June 5. artscen-tereast.org.

Windham County

Top Shelf Gallery at Fletcher Memorial Library, 257 Main St. in Hampton: "Work by Jane Collins" is up until June 30. fletchermemoriallibrary.org.

New London County

Hygienic Art Galleries, 79 Bank St. in New London: "Collective Chaos," a show of work by Justin Fritch, Bill Herzfeld and Matt Makela, is up to May 20. hygienic.org.

Gilbert V. Boro Studio 80 + Sculpture Grounds, 80 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: The sculpture grounds, with works by Boro and other

artists, is on private property but is open to the public. Boro asks guests not to enter any buildings. A YouTube video about the grounds, part of the Smithsonian Channel documentary series "America: Over the Edge," can be seen at gilbertboro.com.

Mystic Museum of Art, 9 Water St.: "More than Hot Type," a printmaking exhibit, is up to May 29. mysticmuseumofart.org.

Hill Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road in Farmington: "A Perfect Perch: The Architect's Chair," with chairs designed by Theodate Pope Riddle and members of the Centerbrook Chairshop, will be on view until May 22. hillstead.org.

Florence Griswold Museum, 96 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "Dana Sherwood: Animal Appetites and Other Encounters in Wildness" is up from May 21 to Sept. 18. flogris.org.

Norwich Arts Center, 60 Broadway: The 16th annual photography show is up until May 31. norwicharts.org/exhibits.

Chauncey Stillman Gallery at Lyme Academy of Fine Arts, 84 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "The 121st annual juried exhibit of the New Haven Paint and Clay Club will be up to May 29. lyamecademy.edu.

Lyman Allyn Art Museum, 625 Williams St. in New London: ""Unbeatable Women: Power and Innovation in the Work of Women Photographers," is up to June 19. "Picturing Mystic: Views of the Connecticut Shoreline, 1890-1950" is up from May 21 to Sept. 4 lymanallyn.org.

Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme St. in Old Lyme: "Expanding Visions: Traditional and Beyond" and "Hudson Valley Art Association's 89th Annual National Exhibition" is up to June 2. lymeartassociation.org.

LaGruta Center, 32 Water St. in Stonington: "I'll Follow the Sun: The Photography of Shelley Lawrence Kirkwood" is up to June 30. lagrua-center.org.

Fairfield County

Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, 258 Main St. in Ridgefield: "Milano Chow: Prima Facie," "Duane Slick: The Coyote Makes the Sunset Better" and "Karla Knight: Navigator" are up until May 8. "Amaryllis DeJesus Moleski: Portal Pieces" is up until May 29. aldrichart.org.

browngrotta arts, 276 Ridgefield Road in Wilton: "Crowdsourcing the Collective: a survey of textile and mixed media art" will be up to May 15. Artists are Adela Akers, Caroline Bartlett, Polly Barton, James Bassler, Nancy Moore Bess, Marianne Bijlenga, Pat Campbell, Lia Cook, Włodzimierz Cygan, Neha Puri Dhir, Chris Drury, Shoko Fukuda, Kiyomi Iwata,

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The Glass House, 199 Elm St. in New Canaan: The historic home of architect Philip Johnson is open for outdoor tours. "Pliable Plane: Anni Albers" is up until Dec. 13. "David Hartt: A Colored Garden," with paintings by Charles Ethan Porter and a new film by Hartt, will be up until Nov. 14. theglasshouse.org.

Silvermine Arts Center, 1037 Silvermine Road in New Canaan: Future Perfect/Imperfect: The Next Century," a members' exhibit focusing on the future, is up to June 9. Among the artists are Leslie Alexander and Helen Cantrell of Old Lyme, Sarah Balcombe and ReBeL ReBeL of Greenwich, Susan Bradley of Collinsville, Nancy Breakstone of Westport, Scott Bricher of South Kent, Christopher Brown of Watertown, Janine Brown of Fairfield, Phyllis Crowley of New Haven, Elysa DeMartini of Stamford, Laure Dunne of Norwalk, Donna Forma of Northport, Lois Goglia of Cheshire, Renee Hughes of Simsbury, Ning Jia of Woodbridge, Julie O'Connor of Weston and Torrance York of New Canaan. silvermine-art.org.

Bruce Museum, One Museum Drive in Greenwich: "Permanent Science Galleries: Natural Cycles Shape Our Land" is up until the end of the year. The 37th annual Crafts Festival will be May 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Admissin is \$10. brucemuseum.org.

Center for Contemporary Printmaking in Mathews Park, 299 West Ave. in Norwalk: "Press Out Hate" will be up to May 22. con-temp-prints.org.

The Gallery at Still River Editions, 128 East Liberty St. in Danbury: Scratching the Surface: David Haislip" is up until May 27. stillrivereditions.com.

Hollis Taggart Southport, 330 Pequot Ave: "Francis Hines: Unwrapping the Mystery of New York's Wrapper" is up to June 11. hollistaggart.com.

Fairfield University Art Museum, 200 Barlow Road in Fairfield: "Adger Cowans: Sense and Sensibility" is in the Bellarmine Hall Galleries to June 18. "13 Ways of Looking at Landscape: Larry Silver's Connecticut Photographs" will be up until June 18. fairfield.edu/museum/

MoCA Westport, 19 Newtown Turnpike: "Punk is Coming," with work by Merrill Aldighieri, Amy Arbus, Emily Armstrong, William Badgley, Alex Bag, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Roberta Bayley, Janette Beckman, Celeste Bell, Richard Butler, Beth Collar, Jayne County, Jim Fields, Jill Furmanovsky, Danny Garcia, Richard Hambleton, Duncan Hannah, Tony Hope, Pat Ivers, David Johansen, Kevin Kerslake, Cindy Hudson Kral, Lynette Bean Kral, Ivan Kral, Helmut Lang, Jenny Lens, Linder, Judy Linn, John Lydon,



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Carriage Barn Arts Center, Waveny Park, 681 South Ave. in New Canaan: "Spectrum," the annual contemporary art show, is up to May 22. carriagebarn.org.

Middlesex County

Ezra and Cecile Zilkha Gallery at Wesleyan University in Middletown: Senior Thesis Showcase is up to May 21. wesleyan.edu/cfa.

College of East Asian Studies Gallery at Wesleyan University in Middletown: "Strong Bodies for the Revolution: Pursuing Health and Power in the People's Republic of China" is up to May 13. wesleyan.edu/cfa.

Spectrum Art Gallery, 61 Main St. in the Centerbrook section of Essex: "Clouds, Winds and Breezes" will be on view from May 20 to July 10. spectrumartgallery.org.

Ben Parker Studio, 1 North Main St. in Essex: "River Valley Artists Abstract Works" is up until June 14. rivervalleyartists.com.

Litchfield County

James Barron Art, 17 Old Barn Road in Kent: "Deborah Brown: The Shadow Paintings, Four Seasons" and "Janet Sobel and Ashley Shapiro: Spiritual Connection" are up to May 21. Open by appointment only. jamesbarronart.com.

Kenise Barnes Fine Art, 7 Fulling Lane in Kent: "Unexpected Windows: New Paintings by Elizabeth Gourlay" is up to May 15. Melanie Parke: Flowers For Friends is up from May 21 to July 3. kbfa.com.

Carol Corey Fine Art, 6 North Main St. in Kent: "Andy Harper: Parallel Botany" is up to June 5. carolcoreyfine-art.com.

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St. in the Falls Village section of Canaan: "Robert Andrew Parker 95th Birthday Exhibition" is up from May 14 to July 2. huntlibrary.org.

Five Points Gallery, 33 Main St. in Torrington: "Linda Pearlman Karlsberg: She Spoke Up," a collection of charcoal drawings of strong women, will be up from May 13 to June 11. fivepointsarts.org.

Five Points Art Center, 855 University Drive Torrington: Sculptures by Don Gummer will be on view starting May 21. fivepointsarts.org/event/don-gummers-sculpture-opening-reception-may-21st/.

Furnace Art on Paper Archive, 107 Main St. in Falls Village: "Hermine Ford: Normally Invisible" is up to June 12. furnace-artonpaper-archive.com.

New Haven County

Yale University Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel St. in New Haven: "Midcentury Abstraction: A Closer Look" and "Recent

Acquisitions" are up until June 26. "Gold in America: Artistry, Memory, Power" is up until July 10. artgallery.yale.edu.

Yale Center for British Art, 1080 Chapel St. in New Haven: "Bridget Riley: Perceptual Abstraction" is up until July 24. britishart.yale.edu.

Artspace, 50 Orange St. in New Haven: "Footnotes and other embedded stories" is up to June 25. Artists are Leonard Galmon, Ruby Gonzalez Hernandez, Allison Minto, Julia Rooney, and Joseph Smolinski. artspace-nh.org.

Palestine Museum US, 1764 Litchfield Turnpike, Suite 200, in Woodbridge: The museum is open by appointment only at palestinemuseum.us.

NXTHVN, 169 Henry St. in New Haven: "Let Them Roam Freely," work by Hong Hong and Darryl DeAngelo Terrell, is up to May 15. nxthvn.com.

Gallery 53, 53 Colony St. in Meriden: "The Fabric of Our Journey: 2022 Fiber Art Exhibit" is up until May 31. gallery53.org.

Henry Whitfield State Museum, 248 Old Whitfield St. in Guilford: "Weld-Built: The Guilford Architecture of William E. Weld" is on view until December. portal.ct.gov/ECD-HenryWhitfield-StateMuseum.

Creative Arts Workshop, 80 Audubon St. in New Haven: "Proximity," featuring work by David Borawski, Joan Fitzsimmons, John Keefer and Nathan Lewis, and curated by Steven DiGiovanni, is up until June 8. creativearts-workshop.org.

New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Ave.: "Strange Times: Downtown New Haven in the COVID Era," "Children of the Elm City," "Factory" and "The Quantum Revolution: Handcrafted in New Haven" are on view. newhavenmuseum.org.

Hamden Senior Center in the Miller Memorial Library Complex, 2901 Dixwell Ave.: Hamden Art League's annual Goldenbells exhibit will be up until May 17. hamdenartleague.org.

Mattatuck Museum, 144 West Main St. in Waterbury: "Discovering New York's Wrapper: The Art of Francis Hines" is up until June 15. "The Immigrant Suitcase Project: Italians of Waterbury" is up until Oct. 31. "An American Lens: A History of Photography in Waterbury" is up until Dec. 31. "Two for the Road: Ernest Roth and André Smith in Europe" is up to May 15. mattmuseum.org.


Kehler Liddell Gallery, 873 Whalley Ave. in New Haven: "Forest — Wander: Frank Bruckmann and Roy Money" is up to May 22. kehlerrliddell-gallery.com.

Susan Powell Fine Art, 679 Boston Post Road in Madison: "David Dunlop: Journeys in Light" is up to June 11. susanpowellfineart.com.

City Gallery, 994 State St. in New Haven: "In Mind and Hand: New Fiber Work by Jennifer Davies" is up to May 29. city-gallery.org.

Hagaman Memorial Library, 227 E. Main St. in East Haven: Paintings by Robert Brennan are up until May 31. hagamanlibrary.org.

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‘Queen’

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more than shared financial responsibilities and a shared aesthetic. She’s looking for shared purpose.

“For the partnership inaugurated by this production,” Katigbak says, “NAATCO is advising and involved in creative decisions, including the casting and the creative teams.” For “Queen,” both the playwright and director are Asian, as are three of the four designers and two of the four cast members.

“We want to be doing what NAATCO does when it puts on a show. We’re asking partners to look at their staff, the board, the creative team and consider Asians for those positions and to announce plans for more Asian programs. We’re looking for greater participation. We can’t dictate what our partners do, but we’re looking to open new horizons. Even with folks who completely agree with what we’re doing, there are methods of working that I see could use some attention.”

NAATCO is starting with two partners: the Long Wharf and the New York

off Broadway company Soho Rep. New plays are being commissioned for both partnerships, but Katigbak says “we’re thinking about classics, too.” Katigbak’s goal is to have six partnerships with other theaters “from all different parts of the country.”

When selecting “Queen” for their first partnership project, Katigbak says she and Padrón spent time going back and forth about playwrights, “and we both loved ‘Queen.’ It was meant to happen.”

She calls the script “so rich thematically. On the surface it’s about scientific research and morals and integrity. When you have a problem with the date, and you can’t present the data, but your boss has a presentation to make... there’s a person who’s having to deal with the effect of this decision.”

The show was originally meant to happen in 2020, during Padrón’s first full season at Long Wharf, but COVID delayed that. Now it will be the last production on the Long Wharf stage before the company leaves its home of the past 57 years.

That situation, which was not foreseen when



“Queen” director Aneesha Kudtarkar, from left, and scenic designer Junghyun Georgia Lee, with Long Wharf technical director Dylan Gallery. **LIAH SINQUEFIELD**

“Queen” was announced as part of this season’s lineup over a year ago, “has its own excitement,” Katigbak says, and it has inspired the scenic designer to create “a new configuration of the theater. It has never been like this before.”

“Queen” is directed by Aneesha Kudtarkar, who has directed for NAATCO previously and whose Connecticut connec-

tions include graduating from the Geffen School of Drama at Yale in 2019 and directing the 2020 TheaterWorks Hartford production of Ayad Akhtar’s “The Who and the What”

“By the time I was contacted, the play had been all but programmed,” Kudtarkar says. “NAATCO and Long Wharf felt strongly about it.”

“This is a play that really deals with science and numbers,” she says. And it’s “about two women solving an immediate problem with their research. The things coming to the surface have really been about bees. The limits we’ve pushed honeybees to is dangerous. We rely so heavily on pollinators. Honeybees are responsible for one third of the world’s

agriculture. There’s a lot to be learned from them about how to survive as a species. This is a really smart, funny play. It is a comedy, though of course the bees are dying.”

Kudtarkar says she’s been able to develop all the themes of this layered script partly because this initial partnership between NAATCO and Long Wharf is going so well.

“Working with both companies has been so lovely and positive. The process is really being supported. There’s been a real sense of coming together to support a project. It doesn’t feel bifurcated. From the beginning, it felt like we’re doing this together.”

“Queen” by Madhuri Shekar, directed by Aneesha Kudtarkar, runs May 17 through June 5 at the Long Wharf Theatre, 222 Sargent Dr., New Haven. Performances are Tuesday through Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m., plus a Wednesday matinee May 25 at 2 p.m. \$59, \$10 students. longwharf.org.

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5:30 p.m. All the events are free. twhartford.org.

Summer in the city

Novelist Jennifer Weiner, who grew in Simsbury and has written some of the best beach reads in recent years, has set her new book “The Summer Place” in Cape Cod. There’s a beach house in it, an impending wedding and lots of good and bad family interactions. Weiner appears live at the Mark Twain House, 351 Farmington Ave., Hartford on May 17 at 7 p.m. to discuss “The Summer Place” and her other works. \$35, \$30 Mark

Twain House members. marktwainhouse.org.

Queen bees

“Queen” by Madhuri Shekar is about women scientists, the environment and bees. The bees also serve as a metaphor for humans. May 17 through June 5 at the Long Wharf Theatre, 222 Sargent Dr., New Haven. Performances are Tuesday through Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m., plus a Wednesday matinee May 25 at 2 p.m. \$59, \$10 students. longwharf.org.

Osborne and Greene

Two accomplished singer-songwriters, each

with over a dozen albums to their name — Anders Osborne (“Louisiana Gold”) and Jackie Greene (“Honey I Been Thinking About You”) — have teamed up for a pair of concerts, one at each of the two Infinity Halls May 18 at 8 p.m. at 20 Greenwoods Road West, Norfolk (\$55-\$75), and May 22 at 8 p.m. at 32 Front St., Hartford (\$48-\$58). infinityhall.com.

Spring jazz

Melinda Rose Rodriguez, a Miami-based jazz singer who’s appeared on “The Voice,” does two sets for the Spring Jazz series at the Palace Theater, 100 East Main St., Waterbury on May 20 at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., \$32. palacetheaterct.org.

Poetic chorale

It’s Hartford Chorale’s 50th anniversary, and the ensemble is marking the occasion by premiering a new work commissioned from Connecticut composer Scott Perkins called “Alive Poems: Stories of Our American Heritage.” Also being sung are works by Brahms and Vaughan Williams. The chorale will be accompanied by the Hartford Symphony Orchestra. The show takes place May 20 at 8 p.m. at The Bushnell, 166 Capitol Ave., Hartford. \$33-\$71. bushnell.org.

Funny times five

Foxwoods is the funniest place to be this week. On May 20 at 8 p.m., Mike Epps (from the “Friday”

and “Hangover” movie series) and B. Simone are at Foxwoods’ Premier Theater (\$32-\$92) while Kareem Green is at the Centrale Fox Tower (\$10), which has comedy from 8 to 10 p.m. On May 21 at 8 p.m., Nikki Glaser, who has a new reality show about moving back in with her parents, is at Foxwoods’ Great Cedar Showroom (\$40), while both Kareem Green and John Moses are at Centrale Fox Tower. foxwoods.com.

Golden ticket

“Oompa loompa doom-pety doo! I’ve got a perfect puzzle for you.” The Broadway version of the musical “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,” which played The Bushnell back in early 2019, returns to Connecticut for

a weekend May 20-22 at the Oakdale. Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. \$24.50-\$89.50. concerts.livenation.com.

En pointe

There are two days of kid-friendly Eastern Ballet concerts, May 21 and 22, at the Garde Arts Center, 325 State St., New London. On Saturday, young dancers do “The Magic Doll Shop” at 1:30 p.m. (\$15) and an “All-School Performance” at 5 p.m. (\$30, \$20 children). On Sunday at 1 p.m. is an adaptation of the children’s book “Ballerina Swan” (\$22-\$42). gardearts.org.

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Cutting-edge diagnostic tools and treatments

In most cases, the earlier a diagnosis can be made and treatment started, the better the outcome for patients. Historically, diagnosis of a disease like Parkinson’s occurs after symptoms are recognized by the patients. While advances in genetic testing have helped doctors know of increased risk of the disease for patients with those markers, they still have to wait for the disease to develop for a positive diagnosis.

Along with specialized imaging studies, the team at Hartford Hospital is taking advantage of a new skin biopsy test that looks for abnormality in alpha-synuclein, a regulating neuronal protein, in the tissue sample. Over the last four months, 56 patients have been offered the innovative test to clarify their diagnosis more efficiently and effectively.

“This is cutting edge,” says Dr. de Marcaida. “It came out probably just within the past year or two, and we adopted this diagnostic test very readily. With the skin biopsy, we’re able to make the diagnosis quite early, sometimes even before they have all the motor symptoms of Parkinson’s disease.”

Two innovative treatments for movement disorders being used by Hartford Hospital are levodopa infusion therapy and Deep Brain Stimulation.

Levodopa remains the gold standard treatment for Parkinson’s disease because it is a direct replacement for dopamine which is depleted in patients with Parkinson’s disease. The innovation is that this is now available through a pump, similar to an insulin pump that delivers the medication directly into the small intestine. This allows a consistent dosage of medication to be supplied constantly for 16 hours, so that the patient does not experience a lapse in benefit and loss of symptom control at different times of the day, as they often do when levodopa is taken in pill form. Hartford HealthCare has the most number of patients taking advantage of this novel treatment option in the region.

Deep Brain Stimulation is a surgical procedure that modifies abnormal electrical signals in the brain so that smooth, continuous movements can occur. Led by medical director Dr. Patrick

Senatus, the DBS program at Hartford Hospital is one of the busiest and fastest growing DBS surgical programs in the nation.

Maintaining wellness, not just treating illness

All three comprehensive Chase Family Movement Disorders Center locations in Vernon, Cheshire and Mystic offer a variety of free wellness classes and services from boxing, tai chi, dancing and yoga to a few sessions of massage therapy and acupuncture. According to Dr. de Marcaida, 40 to 60 percent of patients with Parkinson’s disease and other movement disorders will engage in some form of integrative medicine on their own, and the goal in offering these resources is to provide a safe way for patients to explore these alternative therapies with the guidance and supervision of their care team.

The Center has also seen great success with their highly specialized physical, occupational and speech therapy programs. They strongly recommend early referral to rehabilitation medicine in order to avail of effective programs such as “SPEAK OUT! and LOUD Crowd” led by a speech pathologist, or PWR! Moves with a physical therapist. Patients whose mobility or speech have been affected by a movement disorder have a chance to meet regularly to work on exercises, find support with others who have similar experiences and make lasting friendships.

“The conditions that we treat are chronic conditions,” says Dr. de Marcaida. “So, the relationships that we build with our patients are also long-term and precious.”

She has been treating some of her patients for decades, and the fact that Hartford HealthCare is there for them every step of the way has resonated with them. She adds, “In terms of remaining motivated, empowered and optimistic, it helps that patients know we always have something to offer — and they know that we’re there for them every step of the way.” The Chase Family Movement Disorders Center has seven locations all across the state, from Stamford to Winsted, Bridgeport, Mystic, Cheshire and Vernon, so patients with mobility impairments do not have to travel too far from their homes. They also offer one of the first all-Spanish movement disorders clinics in the country, right in Hartford.

For more information about the Chase Family Movement Disorders Center, attend Hartford HealthCare’s Facebook Live event with the Hartford Courant on May 18 at 12:30 p.m. or call 833-444-0014.

— Jessica Chesler
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Ask the expert!

One of the best minds in neuro is taking your questions about movement disorders on the Hartford Courant’s Facebook page on **May 18 at 12:30 pm.**



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A room at the 14-suite Beaverbrook Town House in London on April 16. JOANNA YEE/THE NEW YORK TIMES PHOTOS

Crossing the pond again

With restrictions gone, Americans are getting their fill of British culture

By Amy Tara Koch
The New York Times

London is springing back to life. Heathrow Airport reports that March 2022 was its busiest month since the start of the pandemic, with passenger travel from North America in particular increasing by more than 60% from January 2022.

The uptick is linked to the British government's recent elimination of coronavirus restrictions, a welcome move for many travelers eager for their fill of British culture, including once-in-a-lifetime Platinum Jubilee events, including experiences based on "Bridgerton," the heady hit show from Netflix.

Some city stalwarts closed their doors during the pandemic. Among them: Cafe de Paris, a cabaret venue in the West End since 1924; Le Caprice in St. James's, once a favorite spot of Princess Diana; and the physical locations of Debenhams, the 242-year-old department store. But throughout London, other cafes and shops bustle, scads of new bars and restaurants have opened and city squares teem with everyday life. Many of the Royal Parks are ablaze in daffodils and brimming with picnickers, while live theater is back in the West End. The return of in-person events lends to the buoyancy of the Platinum Jubilee "Central Weekend" in June, when public celebrations will mark Queen Elizabeth's 70-year reign.

The latest in restaurants
It's a testament to London's vitality that new restaurants

managed to open and even thrive during the pandemic. One of the buzziest spots is Sessions Arts Club in Clerkenwell, a reimagined 18th-century courthouse where artwork and crumbling, dramatic décor lend a fanciful patina to fare from chef Florence Knight. Dishes like sea bream with parsley and eel with creme fraiche are delightfully British with whiffs of France and Italy.

Another new hit is KOL, Britain's first Michelin-starred Mexican restaurant, where chef Santiago Lastra turns out items like pork belly carnitas with cabbage purée. On the ground level is The Mezcaleria, which serves kicky, mezcal-focused cocktails.

Vegans and meat-eaters alike might be delighted with the restaurant Gauthier Soho's pivot from classic French gastronomy to plant-based fine dining. One dish, rice with truffle "cream," delivers the richness of dairy through a potato-and-lentil starch combination.

When Leroy in Shoreditch adopted rotisserie chicken takeaway as a pandemic survival maneuver, the Michelin-starred restaurant might not have imagined the side hustle would evolve into a stand-alone eatery. Now, Royale sells whole or half cornfed Anjou chicken, sides like leeks vinaigrette, and a hazelnut parfait dessert.

New hotels and lodging
In Covent Garden, the New York-based design company Roman and Williams has transformed a 19th-century Magistrate's Court into the first European Nomad Hotel.



Grilled Octopus, a dish served at KOL, Britain's first Michelin-starred Mexican restaurant in London.

The selected art and textured materials imbue spaces with a contemporary edge and the restaurant is housed within a three-story glass atrium.

Two interconnected Georgian homes are now the 14-suite Beaverbrook Town House in Chelsea, where interiors designed by Nicola Harding offer vibrant color combinations, lively prints and tassel-fringed upholstery inspired by London's grand theaters. Hotel guests can access the leafy, residents-only Cadogan Gardens as well as enjoy "Bridgerton"-themed experiences with the sister property Beaverbrook Estate in Surrey.

Kingsland Locke has unveiled 124 sleek apartment-style rooms in East London's Dalston neighborhood, with a coffee shop, microbrewery and kebab restaurant on the ground floor.

West End offerings
Lights are back on in the West End with blockbuster musicals like "Moulin Rouge! The Musical" and "Six," a

modern chronicle of the fate of Henry VIII's wives. For those seeking plays, there is "Much Ado About Nothing" at The Shakespeare Globe (through Oct. 23) and the West End openings include "The Glass Menagerie" starring Amy Adams (from May 23 to Aug. 27) and "Prima Facie" with Jodie Comer of "Killing Eve" fame (through June 18).

Museum exhibits
At the Victoria & Albert Museum, the "Fashioning Masculinities: The Art of Menswear" exhibition brings together historical and contemporary ensembles to highlight the concept of gender fluidity. Expect to see 18th-century frock coats and suits worn by the Beatles to gowns sported by the singer Harry Styles and the drag performer Bimini Bon-Boulash ("Fashioning Masculinities" runs through November).
"Surrealism Beyond Borders" at the Tate Modern explores the global reach of the surrealist movement

with works by lesser-known artists from Osaka, Japan, and Bogotá, Colombia, juxtaposed with paintings by Dali, Miro and Magritte (advance bookings are recommended; "Surrealism Beyond Borders" runs through August).

In King's Cross, Britain's first museum dedicated to LGBTQ individuals, Queer Britain, has opened with a display of paintings, photographs and paintings assembled by Matthew Storey, the art, design and LGBTQ history curator for Historic Royal Palaces.

The Platinum Jubilee
Britain is celebrating the Platinum Jubilee, marking Queen Elizabeth II as the first British monarch to spend 70 years on the throne, all year. But from June 2-5, events like "Trooping the Color," a ceremonial parade featuring 1,400 soldiers, 200 horses, and 400 musicians, will be held. The parade will march from Buckingham Palace down the Mall, among the other festivities that weekend is a concert at Buckingham Palace.

All-inclusive resorts boom as travel demand rises

By Donald Wood
TravelPulse

A new study found that interest in all-inclusive resorts from travelers was booming as the stresses associated with work and family have increased during the pandemic.

Data from Wyndham Hotels & Resorts shows that 75% of travelers believe the best way to travel is to book an all-inclusive trip and 77% think an all-inclusive vaca-

tion is the least stressful way to travel.
Working from home has changed the way people travel, as 65% of respondents plan to take a working vacation in 2022, with all inclusive resorts being the most desired destinations.
"All-inclusive vacations have been increasingly popular over the last two years," Playa Hotels & Resorts Vice President of Sales Andrea Wright said. "With all of the travel

restrictions, the consumer wants a seamless vacation without having to worry about leaving the resort. All-inclusive resorts provide the perfect option with multiple dining venues, spa and entertainment."
Another 62% of travelers said the beach is their top destination this year, with three in five agreeing that Mexico is a top choice for vacation. When planning a vacation, the five things people look for are all-

inclusive packages, beach access, high-quality restaurants, local culture, and excursions/activities.
"All-inclusive resorts have skyrocketed over the last 18 months, especially with weddings," Wanderlust Weddings owner Suzy Mkhitarian said.
"Brides haven't been able to plan their weddings in the U.S. given the restrictions so they have opted to choose destinations like Mexico and the Caribbean."



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Ciao chow: Italians on American food



Rick Steves

When Italians sit down together for dinner, a special joy combusts from their mutual love of good eating: the flavors, the steam, the memories, the dreams ... the edible heritage. Food is a favorite topic of conversation. And it seems every Italian has an opinion about American food. During one long Italian meal, my friend Claudia says she loves American food. Her favorites include the BLT sandwich and “chili soup.” She’s charmed by our breakfast culture and that we “meet for breakfast.” She says you would never see families going out for breakfast in Italy.

But she notes that in the United States, size matters more than quality and dishes try too hard. She says that the average number of ingredients in an American restaurant salad or pasta is eight or 10 — double the ingredients in the typical Italian salad or pasta. And she can’t understand our heavily flavored salad dressings. “If your lettuce and tomato are good, why cover it up with a heavy dressing? We use only oil and vinegar,” she says. When I try to defend the fancy dishes as complex, she says, “Perhaps ‘jumbled’ is a better translation.”

My Tuscan friends laud the virtues of their regional cuisine. In Florence, I join my friend Manfredo and his girlfriend Diana for dinner. She sets a big plate of bruschetta in front of me. Each slice of toast looks like a little brown ship, with a toothpick mast flying a garlic clove, as it sails over its oily deck. We hungrily destroy the tidy



Food is a favorite topic of conversation. Rick Steves’ Tuscan friend Manfredo says bruschetta is best in Italy. ADDIE MANNAN PHOTOGRAPHY

flotilla. Ripping off a mast and rubbing the sail on the crusty deck, I say, “My family eats bruschetta at home. But we all agree it’s best in Italy.”

“Real bruschetta needs real Tuscan bread,” Manfredo says. “This is made with only flour, water, and yeast. No salt. It is great today. Hard like rock tomorrow.”

Diana says, “Because the bread gets old quickly and we are a poor region, in Tuscany there are many dishes made with yesterday’s bread.”

In unison, they labor through a short list as if it were long: “Minestrone di pane, ribollita, pappa al pomodoro.”

Manfredo explains, “Ribollita is for the poor.

You cook and always stir together beans, cabbage, carrots, onions, old bread and olive oil for at least two hours. Very filling. It is not good with fresh bread.”

Manfredo picks up his knife, eyeing the lasagna on the big plate in front of him. “In America, a restaurant is not looking for what is good food. What is good is what sells.” He sticks his knife through two steamy inches of lasagna. “Real lasagna is only this thick. In USA they make it twice this thick,” he says, flipping another serving on top, “and they fill it with mozzarella.” Then he says, “There is no mozzarella in lasagna.”

Diana chuckles in agreement.

After a swig of wine, Manfredo continues, “If

you go to an American restaurant and say the food is bad, you get a coupon for a free meal. More bad food. If you say the food is bad in a restaurant in Italy, you get kicked out. To get free food here, it is vice versa. You say, ‘This is the best beefsteak I ever eat.’ Chef will then say, ‘You must try the dessert.’ You say ‘Oh no.’ He says, ‘Here. Please. Take it for free.’”

Diana says, “In a real Italian restaurant when you complain, the chef will tell you, ‘I cooked this as a boy the way my grandmother cooked this.’ It cannot be wrong.”

I ask, “What do you think about French food?”

Manfredo, peppering a puddle of oil on a small plate, responds, “The

French make fine sauces to help the taste of mediocre ingredients. With the French there are two things great: their wine and their art. Since the time of Napoleon, they think only of their wine and their art. In the south they are like the Italians. But from Paris and north, they are so proud they are boring.”

Tearing off a piece of bread and dabbing it in the oil, Diana says, “For me, the French cheese, it is the Italian cheese with mold. If we have cheese that doesn’t sell, it gets moldy. After some days, it is perfect for the French.”

Raising my glass of wine, I offer a toast to Italian food: “To cucina Italiana!”

Manfredo follows that, saying magnanimously, “To

bacon and eggs!”

We all agree that American breakfasts are unbeatable.

“Omelets, hash browns ...” Manfredo reminisces with a nostalgic sigh. “On my last visit to New York, I gain four kilos in three weeks.”

Raising our glasses filled with fine vino rosso, we all say, “To American breakfasts!”

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CELEBRITY TRAVEL

AleXa wants to roam the world

By Jae-Ha Kim
Tribune Content Agency

At the time of our Zoom interview, AleXa hadn’t heard that she had advanced to the finals of NBC’s “American Song Contest.” “I’m just grateful for this experience,” she said from Los Angeles, where the singing competition is filmed. “I performed for a huge American network in front of a live audience. Hopefully, I can take this positive energy and move forward with it.” Born and raised in Oklahoma — the state she’s representing on the show — the singer will later return to Seoul, where she moved six years ago to pursue her music career. Fans can follow AleXa on Instagram @alexa_zbofficial and Twitter @alexa_zb. You also can find her on YouTube and Facebook.

Q: Before you moved to South Korea, were people in the industry pressuring you to move to Los Angeles or New York?
A: I don’t think I felt pressured. Other Americans would ask, “Where in California are you from?” Everyone’s so shocked when I say Oklahoma, but I guess they don’t typically associate Asians with Oklahoma. But my dad is from New York so I went there a lot when I was a kid. And I wanted to move to LA eventually because I know that LA is a place of creativity and performance. But Oklahoma’s still my home till the day I die.

Q: Do you remember any



Korean American pop star AleXa dreams of touring in South America. COURTESY ZB LABEL

childhood trips?

A: Yes. It was to New York City. I have a little kid’s memory of it, so it might be a little foggy. I’m pretty sure when I was there I saw a Broadway musical. I don’t remember if it was “The Lion King” or not. And then I remember this giant (now closed) Toys R Us that was (four) stories high in Times Square. There was a big dinosaur inside. It would move and then stop suddenly and reset and restart. So I was on the floor by the head and it stopped. I had my back turned and was talking to my mom and my dad. When I turned around, his mouth was right open behind me! I am terrified of animatronics specifically because of this!

Tell us about some of the other places you’ve visited.

A: Growing up I was a really big fan of anime and manga. I’d always seen really cool pictures of Japan. Thanks to my career, I’ve been able to go to Japan and I’ve been able to look around. Also, I had the opportunity to go to Singapore right after my debut and I want to go back. But even before my

debut, I went to India for about a month. India is one of my favorite places to ever go to. I’ve had the opportunity to go to so many wonderful places thanks to the career that I’m pursuing.

Some people love traveling for work in the beginning and then grow tired of it. How about you?

A: No, I’m enthusiastic about it. I’m a Sagittarius and we want to roam and travel the world. So any opportunity I get to go, even if it’s to a different part of Korea, I want to go. I went to Pohang one time and saw different facets of the country. I like to travel.

Where have you not been to that’s on your bucket list?

A: I really want to do a tour of South America, if at all possible, because the K-pop scene is so huge down there. And I feel like it’s almost largely ignored. I feel like (countries like) Brazil and Argentina have big K-pop fans there. Why not give them some performances? It just sounds really fun.

For more from the reporter, visit www.jaehakim.com.

TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

Avis charged extra \$4,228 for car returned to airport

By Christopher Elliott
King Features Syndicate

Q: I rented a car recently from Avis and dropped it off at Tweed New Haven Airport after driving up from Washington, D.C. The Avis counter was closed, so I called them and did the rental handoff over the phone. A representative asked me for the number on the key. I asked if he needed anything else from me, and he said no. I did not hear anything back from Avis for a few days, so I followed up again. Once again, a representative assured me that Avis had closed my reservation. After that, I followed up multiple times. I later learned that Avis closed my rental more than a month after I returned my car. Now Avis has charged me \$4,228 because it claims I kept the car for 34 days. But that’s impossible. I moved to Germany two weeks after renting the car. Also, the odometer from the rental closure invoice reads as if the vehicle has been sitting in the New Haven airport rental car lot this entire time. I have submitted gas receipts showing I filled the tank in New Haven before returning the car. But the evidence doesn’t seem to be enough for Avis. Can you help me?
— Claudia Lockwood, Berlin

A: Avis should have closed your rental as promised and not charged you an extra \$4,228. But you returned your vehicle after hours, and unfortunately, that’s asking for trouble. I’ve had many cases where cars go missing or are mysteriously damaged after hours. And in almost every one of those cases, the car rental company assumes their customers are at fault, and charges them for it.

Your problem was no different. It looks like you did everything you could to return your vehicle on time. You made multiple calls to Avis. You checked on the return. And still, it charged you for another month.

Here’s something I don’t understand: If you’re living

overseas — and can prove it — then how can Avis continue to insist you were driving one of its cars? Where’s the logic in that? The only surefire way of keeping this from happening again is to return your car during normal hours. Then you’ll get a receipt, which is written proof that the company closed your rental. If you have to return the car after hours, ask a representative to email you the relevant documents. And if you can’t do that, then record the phone conversation (where legal) and note the name and extension of the representative.

Once it’s gotten to this level, you have to escalate your case to someone higher up. I list the names, numbers and email

addresses of the customer service managers at Avis on my nonprofit consumer advocacy site at www.elliott.org/company-contacts/avis-budget/. I reached out to Avis on your behalf. It investigated your claim and found that you did not park the car in the Avis lot when you returned it. Avis eventually found the vehicle and closed the contract. You received a full refund.

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CELEBRITIES

Psy bids farewell to ‘Gangnam Style’

By Juwon Park
Associated Press

South Korean super-star Psy said his new album marks a “farewell to ‘Gangnam Style’” — the hit song that propelled him to superstardom a decade ago. Indeed, the music video for the lead single — “That That” featuring Suga from BTS — shows Psy in the famous blue suit he wore in the “Gangnam Style” video.

“A guy in a blue tuxedo comes out and gets a slap from Suga and goes on his way,” alluding to his old self walking away from the past, Psy said during a recent interview.

His latest album “Psy 9th,” now available, has 12 songs, including one featuring Korean Canadian rapper Tablo. Psy, whose real name is Park Jae-sang, swept the world with “Gangnam Style” in 2012. The song, with its addictive horse-riding dance and catchy melodies, made a global splash and has over 4.4 billion views on YouTube.

This interview with Psy has been edited for clarity and length.

Q: “Psy 9th” took five years. What took so long?
A: One can’t satisfy everyone. People’s taste is subjective. But if I let someone listen to my music and even if that person isn’t from the industry, if that person says, “This is not that great,” I make a change. There are 40 to 50 people I play my music to when it’s ready. Until they collectively say, “This is the best it can get,” I search for the song. So ... I also make a lot of changes. ... When I make music, I listen to it on a cellphone speaker, on a big speaker, and do my best to try to find a fault ... I’ve been in that process for a long time.

Q: Who are those 40 to 50



South Korean singer Psy, seen April 29, recently released his ninth album, “Psy 9th.” ANTHONY WALLACE/GETTY-APF

people?
A: Every artist in my company and some of our label employees. There are young and old people including my parents ... The most random person is my best friend — someone my age living everyday life who has been continuously monitoring my songs ever since my first album.

Q: Are you still conscious of “Gangnam Style?” Do you feel pressure?
A: The hidden theme of this music video is “Farewell to Gangnam Style.” So, a guy in a blue tuxedo comes out and gets a slap from Suga and goes on his way. There is a hidden theme in the song of me and Suga in new outfits sending old Psy off. It’s not a serious video but there is such a scene. But personally, and work wise, the success of “Gangnam Style” was a very big event so it’s impossible to not be conscious of it permanently. ... So instead of being conscious of it, I think of it as the biggest

trophy on my shelf, nothing more or less. Right now, I’m just mesmerized by doing new music with new friends.

Q: If there were to be the biggest change in the Korean pop industry in the near future, what would that be?
A: K-pop will continuously level up in terms of the size of budget and efforts going in, and the standard of trainees ... I think the next change will be metaverse ... Metaverse will bring changes to the K-pop industry by getting rid of boundaries for stage and audience.

May 15 birthdays: Actor Anna Maria Alberghetti is 86. Singer Lenny Welch is 84. Actor Gunilla Hutton is 78. Actor Nicholas Hammond is 72. Actor Chazz Palminteri is 70. Rapper Melle Mel is 61. Actor Russell Hornsby is 48. Actor David Krumholtz is 44. Actor Jamie-Lynn Sigler is 41. Actor Alexandra Breckenridge is 40.



ASK AMY

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Uncle time may help child with special needs

Dear Amy: I have a 9-year-old child with special needs. “Kyle” is high-functioning on the autism spectrum, but doesn’t do well with athletics and other “typical” settings that might help a child fit in, make friends and otherwise have a functional childhood dynamic.

We worry that he is becoming more socially isolated. We are very engaged and committed to his therapy and well-being. Our small families follow suit.

My issue arises from my younger (adult) brothers. They are both loving uncles, but seemingly detached.

I really resent their lack of effort or involvement that I know my son would benefit from: whether the occasional day trip to the zoo, park, ballgame or the treat of an overnight stay.

They haven’t offered in years. They don’t have kids and live nearby.

Growing up, I was the oldest brother who acted as caretaker. I’ve always thought each of them was spoiled and self-centered.

Am I wrong to get so worked up over this?

I know it’s not their job to “parent” their nephew, but a few hours of quality time per month would immeasurably help his psyche.

Your recommendations?
— *Upset Dad*

Dear Dad: Contact between these uncles and “Kyle” would likely be good for Kyle. It would also be good for your brothers.

Those of us who have family members with special needs understand that sometimes the relationship can unlock qual-

ities that will put a person in touch with their own deeper humanity.

If they got to know their nephew, your brothers would see that he has a sense of humor, that he has a unique way of seeing the world and processing information, and if he connected with them and they formed a close relationship, they would simply be better men.

They will not spontaneously step up, because they don’t know how.

Ask your brothers for help. Invite them (one at a time) to go on an outing with you and Kyle.

You are going to have to show them how to be with him, and when you do, one or both of your brothers might develop their own quirky kind of relationship with Kyle, which would grow as these uncles become more confident. You can then ask if they could each take him perhaps one Saturday morning a month for some “uncle time.”

Dear Amy: My fiance and I have been together for four and a half years. We are getting married next month.

After sending our invitations, stating a start time of 2:30 p.m., one of my aunts texted and asked, “What time is the wedding? We have a conflict that we are working around. For us, if it was later in the day, it would be better ... just saying!”

I know she received the invitation. I simply texted back that the wedding started at 2:30.

This week, another uncle texted: “We’re just thinking about your wedding day. How late in

the evening do you plan for the reception to go?”

Amy, I believe if this were not a gay wedding, these inappropriate questions would never be asked. I don’t think they consider this wedding “real.”

Am I overreacting in being offended?
— *Two Grooms*

Dear Grooms: I am so happy to report that you are not being discriminated against. How do I know this? Because on my own wedding day, people called and texted me asking what time the ceremony was, asked for directions to the church and told me they were bringing extra guests.

I will be happy to run wedding-day stories from others, many of which will put your aunt’s and uncle’s advance requests in perspective.

The happy news is that none of this will matter. You’ll have a grand time.

Dear Amy: I loved your response to “Happy to Help,” who wondered how to help her partner overcome writer’s block.

I was so happy to see my favorite author, Anne Lamott, quoted in the answer!
— *Big Fan*

Dear Big Fan: Quoting from Charlotte’s Web: “It’s not often that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer.”

Anne Lamott is that, to many writers and readers.

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Aries (March 21-April 19): You may feel threatened by how others view your socioeconomic status today. You could be indignant that they don’t know the story of your life. Such people aren’t interested in the truth because they find the narrative they’ve cooked up more satisfying.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Someone close to you may be upset with how you’ve been changing lately. They might end up coming off as harsh and judgmental. Instead of reacting defensively, you can defuse the conflict by trying to find out what they’re afraid of. An effort to address concerns will likely help.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Drama at work could erupt seemingly out of nowhere. If you expect people to judge you harshly, you might unconsciously act in ways that push them to do so. Staying focused on what you really hope to achieve in your career can help you avoid getting sucked into petty conflicts.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Your friends might encourage you to try something that scares you today. While getting out of your comfort zone is good for your growth, perhaps your most significant opportunity is to clarify your own boundaries. Whatever you choose, do it for yourself, not your friends.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): A breakthrough in your career may take your energy away from your close relationships. Perhaps you can see you’re not living up to your own ideas of what’s necessary to be liked. However, look closely at what the people in your life truly need from you — it’s less than you think.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your interest in new ideas may cause trouble in your relationships. Perhaps they’ll express that you’re too big for your britches — which likely means that they’re threatened. You might not make them happy. Manage your expectations for connections with these people.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be using a dispute over money to cover up something that’s causing you pain in a relationship. Perhaps you feel like you can’t express yourself freely. However, it could be hard to tell where your own inhibitions end versus where the other person’s influence begins.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Tension may erupt in a close relationship. What sets it off might seem insignificant, but push yourself to look at what’s really going on. Perhaps you don’t feel nurtured by the other person. This can fuel an atmosphere of suspicion where you assume the worst of each other.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You could experience relief from a physical ailment today. Expressing yourself can be part of what heals you, but choose your audience carefully. Others may ask an annoying number of questions about the details, so just journal your thoughts if you don’t want to explain yourself.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It might be hard to avoid hurting others’ feelings. Even if you succeed in staying out of trouble, you might have your feelings hurt worrying that any little thing could threaten your network. You can express yourself while omitting details likely to cause controversy.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Sweet talk has the potential to backfire today. It may be obvious that the major structures of your life are shifting in a way that also impacts others close to you, so just admit it. People should respect you for owning whatever is going on, even if they aren’t happy that it’s happening.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Conversations could turn unexpectedly heavy. If you can’t resist bringing up controversial topics, make sure you’re prepared to take whatever you dish out. You’re probably feeling sensitive about your values, and you might just unexpectedly snap without realizing.

LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

MOUSE MOOSE
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It was Mother’s Day, and
each of her children —

PRESENTED PRESENTS

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On May 15, 1928, the cartoon character Mickey Mouse made his debut.

In 1948, hours after declaring its independence, the new state of Israel was attacked by Transjordan,

Egypt, Syria, Iraq and Lebanon.

In 1970, Phillip Lafayette Gibbs and James Earl Green, two Black students at Jackson State College in Mississippi, were killed as police opened fire during student protests.

In 2000, by a 5-4 vote, the U.S. Supreme Court threw out a key provision of the 1994 Violence Against

Women Act, saying that rape victims could not sue their attackers in federal court.

In 2007, the Rev. Jerry Falwell, who built the Christian right into a political force, died at age 73.

In 2020, Comedic actor Fred Willard, whose films included “Best In Show” and “Anchorman,” died at 86.

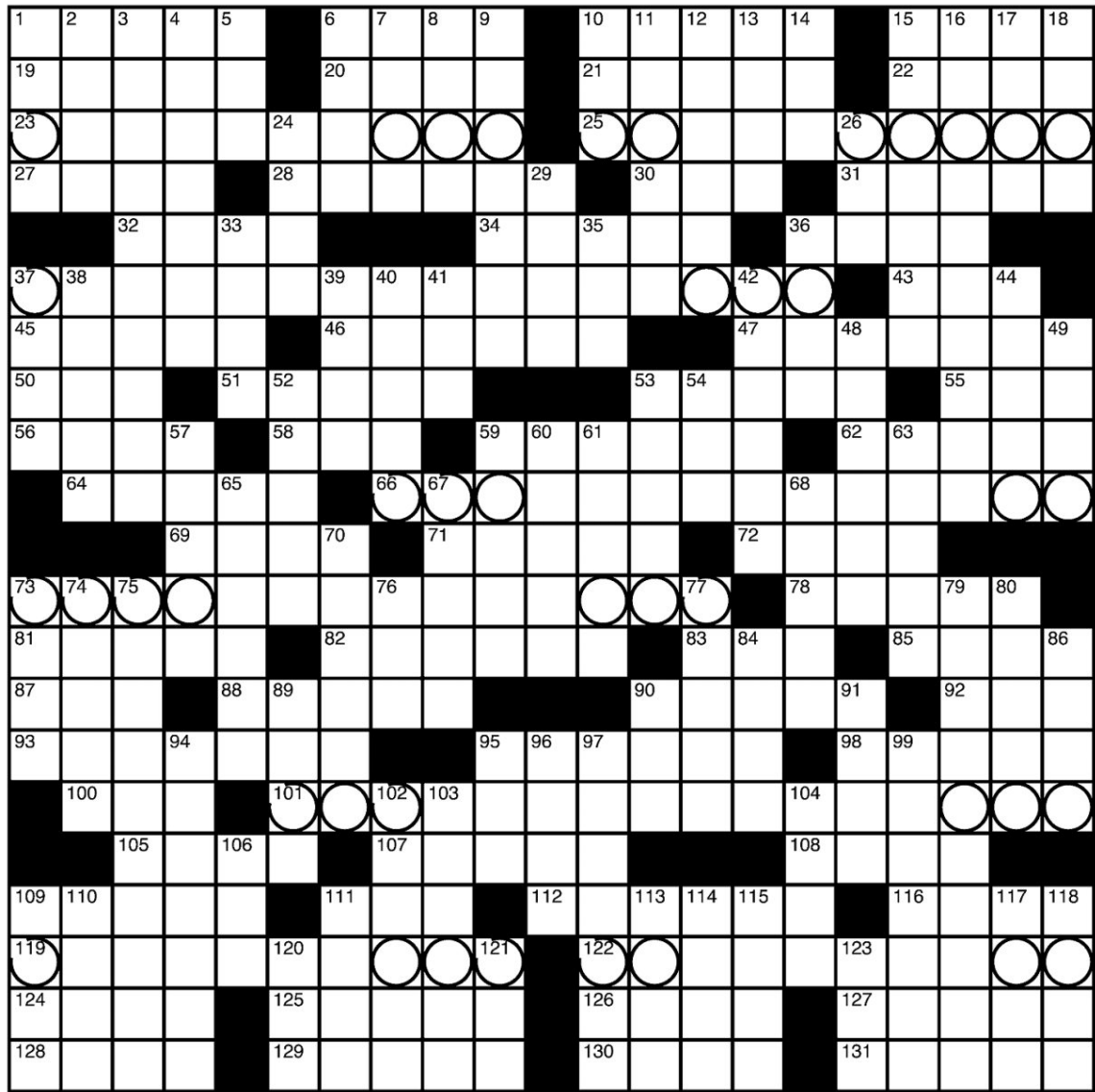
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Major League Divisions

By C.C. Burnikel

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10. Remy's brother in "Ratatouille"
15. Brahma and Vishnu
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20. John of "Coming 2 America"
21. Chart a new course for
22. Samoa's biggest city
23. Groups for aspiring grandmasters
25. Vocalists who combine musical styles
27. Pump part
28. Selling points
30. Govt. prosecutors
31. Elsie Fisher's "Despicable Me" voice role
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71. Starts a pot
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81. Clear the board
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101. Well-balanced people?



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126. "Pearls" Grammy winner India. __
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131. Navajo Nation tablelands

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3. Bright African snake
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5. Show stoppers?
6. Chums
7. Fast-running birds
8. Spa wrap

9. One of the largest tenants of Pittsburgh's tallest building
10. Make a blunder
11. Place for a lark
12. Antelope whose name means "gazelle" in Zulu
13. Highlands girl
14. Prefix with center
15. Present presented for fun
16. Martin Luther King Jr.'s message from Birmingham Jail, for one
17. Desperate
18. Smart talk
24. "__ win 'em all"

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29. Mlle., in Managua
33. Short race, for short
35. Did a 33-Down, say
36. "Hanna" actress Creed-Miles
37. Country star McEntire
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39. "Just joking!"
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41. College application fig.
42. Tantra specialist
44. Kicked off
48. "Am I the only one?"
49. Loud noises
52. Dr Teal's Pure __ Salt
53. So yesterday
54. Actress de la Reguera
57. Stats for NFL defensive linemen
59. Tunisian currency
60. Four-footed Jetson
61. Beer garden mug
63. Necessities
65. Toni Morrison's "The __ Eye"
67. Timepiece
68. Softens, as sound
70. Sign of spring
73. Powerlifter's units
74. Maker of Glide floss
75. People who take the shots
76. Minor quibble
77. Unblinking look
79. Fruit-flavored cocktails
80. Golden brew
84. Whole lot
86. Land of Opportunity?
89. Tiny arachnid
90. Tentative taste
91. "The Good Dinosaur" dinosaur
94. Sugar holders
95. UFO beings
96. Diagnostic pics
97. "Please Mr. __"
99. Tiki bar instrument
102. Pep rally shout
103. Pump part
104. Curved structure
106. "Catastrophe" writer/star Delaney
109. Slate-colored
110. Smooth sailing
111. Parent company of Facebook
113. Sleek, in car lingo
114. Take a tumble
115. Slushy treat
117. Europe's tallest volcano
118. Puts into play
120. Cleaning cloth
121. Canon choice, briefly
123. Cap with a toorie

SCRABBLEGRAMS

Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All words are in the Official SCRABBLE Players Dictionary, 4th Edition.

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1st Letter Double

Triple Word Score

PAR SCORE 265-275

BEST SCORE 345

FIVE RACK TOTAL

TIME LIMIT: 25 MIN

JUMBLE

By Jeff Knurek and David L. Hoyt

Tribune Content Agency

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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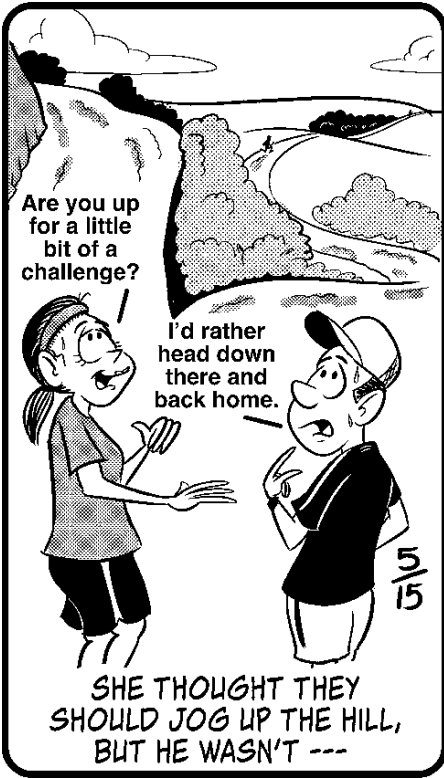
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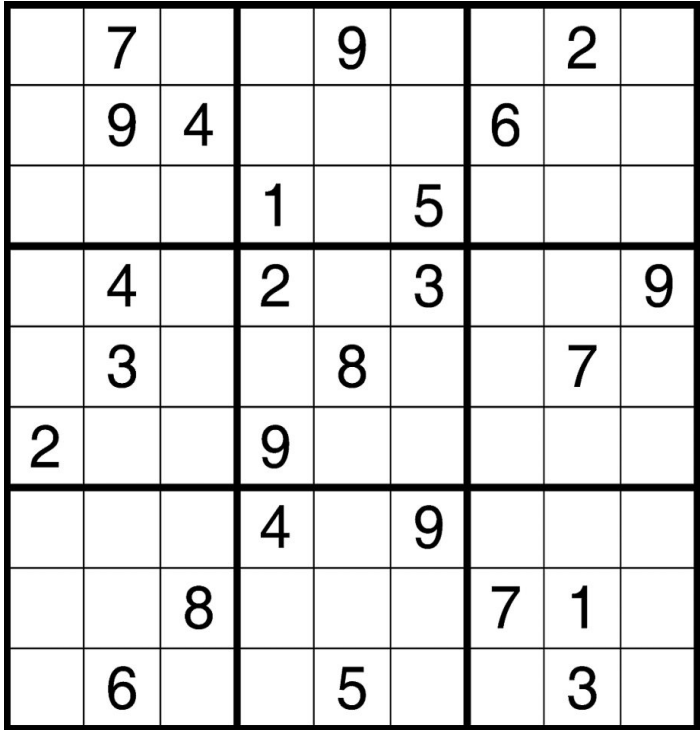
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

SUDOKU

By The Mephram Group

To play: Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.



BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

By David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

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MY PET WORLD

Cats are more sensitive to sound than humans

By **Cathy M. Rosenthal**
Tribune Content Agency

Dear Cathy: My cat has a sensitivity to two specific sounds. One is the sound of packing tape being ripped from the roll. The other is the ratcheting noise made by a plastic wind-up cat toy. He hunkers down when he hears these noises and retches like he needs to throw up (but he has never actually vomited). None of my other cats have ever had such a reaction to noise. Why is he doing this?
— *Carol, Valley Stream, New York*

Dear Carol: Like people who can be sensitive to different sounds, every cat will react to sounds differently. But cats also have more sensitive hearing than humans. Cats can hear what we hear at around 20,000 hertz, but they top us by hearing sounds as high as 64,000 hertz. So, the truth is, we don't know what they hear over and above the sounds we hear. Packing tape is a sharp, irritating sound. I can't imagine what it must sound like to a creature with better hearing. If the wind-up toy is a plaything for him, try winding it slower — or in another room to see if that helps. As for packing tape, place him in a bedroom and put a sound machine on when using it, especially during repetitive usage, like when moving. We may not know why your cat reacts to these sounds, but we know he has a visceral reaction to them, and you can easily accommodate his sensitivity by not using these objects around him.

Dear Cathy: I have a sister who adopted a 6-year-old dog several years ago. Now 13, he urinates at the same place in her house regularly even though she lives in a warm climate and can go outside. She says, "He's



Cats can hear sounds as high as 64,000 hertz, writes Cathy M. Rosenthal. **DREAMSTIME**

a male, and that's to be expected, and he's too old to train." What are your thoughts?
— *Signed me, "Just wondering if this is true," in Essex, Maryland*

Dear "Just wondering": A dog urinates in the house because of a physical condition that prevents him from making it outside or because it's a bad habit. What you describe falls into the latter category, and rather than take the time to correct the behavior, she has accepted it. I am not sure you will be able to convince her to work with him, but if she wants to change the behav-

ior, she should get an enzymatic cleaner to clean the areas where he repeatedly relieves himself inside the house. Enzymatic cleaners eat up the biological materials that contribute to the odor and that cause a dog to repeatedly go back to the spot. Next, she needs to note the time of these accepted "accidents" and anticipate his needs by letting him outside to relieve himself beforehand. It helps if a dog can learn what "go potty" means. She can teach it by saying the words when her dog relieves himself and then praising and giving him treats afterward.

Dear Cathy: Our dog suddenly refused to walk on shiny wooden floors after wearing a cone for days after a procedure. We noticed him bumping into things. Since removing the cone, he stays on the carpet or rugs and whines and cries as he wants to join the family. Heartbreaking as this is, he is the sweetest pup who loves to be in the middle of the family. Any suggestions?
— *MaryAnn, Roslyn, New York*

Dear MaryAnn: Dogs use their toes and nails to grip the ground or carpet. Floors make that problematic, and it's not uncommon

for dogs to develop a fear of slick floors. If he slipped or fell while wearing the cone, he may have hurt himself (or scared himself), and he remembers that feeling. Unfortunately, dogs can develop fears from such encounters. Rebuild his confidence by getting a few carpet runners to help him transition surfaces. Make sure his nails are kept trim and consider getting nail grips for him to wear to improve his traction on the floor. He can also be led around the house on a leash while wearing the nail grips. Gently encourage him to transition from rug to floor to rug again

by spraying small dollops of whipped cream (from a can) across the floor for him to follow and lick up. Licking is a self-soothing behavior that can help relax and distract him. Praise him as he licks up the whipped cream and goes from one surface to the next. Try this for a few weeks, and let me know if he improves.

Cathy M. Rosenthal is an animal advocate, author, columnist and pet expert. Send your questions, stories and tips to cathy@petpundit.com. Please include your name, city and state. You can follow her @cathymrosenthal.

Living conditions of parents is the more serious problem



Dear Miss Manners: I spent a few weeks at my parents' house and while I adore them, I don't think I can stay with them for future visits. The guest bed is over 20 years old and kills my back, the towels are so musty you feel dirty if you use them after a shower, and they had a cockroach infestation in the kitchen! I bought a new towel, and my mom saw it and was deeply offended. I snuck a foam topper onto the bed after attempting to just deal with the mattress for a few nights, but I was still in serious pain. We managed to prepare food and eat without anything sitting out for bugs to get into, but I was incredibly stressed out every time I was in the kitchen. I would like to stay at a hotel next time because I think being well-rested and not stressed out about hygiene will help the visit be more enjoyable. But my mom is a proud woman, and I am afraid it will lead to a rift in our relationship. How would you navigate this situation?

Gentle reader: Do you really consider this merely an accommodation problem? Miss Manners is sorry that you feel stressed, but what about your adored parents, who seem to be living in unsanitary conditions? Would you be content to let that go on if you were able to enjoy the comforts of a hotel? However, you are right that you have an etiquette problem — a major one: Your mother takes help as an insult. You can try disguising cleaning up as a

present, whether you hire someone or do it yourself, and override protests by declaring your desire to do things for your parents. Miss Manners knows that will not go over well. But an immediate cleanup is only the beginning. Perhaps there are other relatives who can help, and you could investigate available social services. Presuming they did not live like this when you were growing up, you have a much more serious problem than your comfort. **Dear Miss Manners:** My husband's daughter just told her children that I am not their grandma, even though I have been with my husband since before they were born. They were calling me Grandma Toby and then, just last year, his daughter told her kids not to call me that anymore. My feelings are hurt, and I wonder how I can move on from this. My husband already mentioned to her that my feelings are hurt, but she does not care. I have been married to her father for 12 years now, and she still treats me like a piece of furniture.

Gentle reader: As it has been 12 years and things are only getting worse, Miss Manners suggests you try a different approach. You are not likely to win over the daughter, but you might do better with the children — provided you do not make it a loyalty test, or even let them see that you have a conflict with their mother. "Let's have a contest," you can declare, out of her hearing. "What should you call me? Nonna? Oma? Grammy? Or just Toby? You decide." And then declare a winner, and however many runners-up there are children. That way, if their mother vetoes one name,

they can try another. **Dear Miss Manners:** When someone enters an unlocked, single-stall restroom, only to discover too late that someone is using that facility, what is the proper response? The few times I have accidentally disturbed someone, I leave as quickly as possible without saying anything and while avoiding eye contact. I do not apologize on my way out, as I believe it's the job of the bathroom user to ensure the door is locked behind them. Regardless, do I owe them an apology on my way out for the embarrassment they likely incurred?

Gentle reader: Avoiding eye contact and making a quick exit are the chief requirements in this awkward situation, so Miss Manners was about to commend you. But why do you grudge tossing off a quick apology? That person was discomfited by your entrance. Yes, it would have been prudent to lock the door. But it would have been prudent of you to knock. **Dear Miss Manners:** Should a child starring in a local play receive a gift?

Gentle reader: A bouquet presented at the curtain call, in front of the other actors whose parents didn't think of doing so? Probably not. And not, Miss Manners would think, if the child's parents are hoping that limelight will not outshine their hope of the child's going to law school. *To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to missmanners.com or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.*



A compression leg sleeve could work as a tattoo cover-up. **DREAMSTIME**

Tips on how to hide a tattoo



Ellen Warren
Answer Angel

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I have a large ankle tattoo that I plan to eventually remove. However, I would like to wear flats this summer for work, which although has a relaxed atmosphere is fairly conservative. I'm looking for opaque nude-colored socks that are thin enough to wear with flats yet still provide coverage. I do not have time or interest in using makeup to cover them up. Just wondering if you knew of such a product.
— *Olivia M.*

Dear Olivia: Try this: compression socks. They're thick enough to cover your tattoo but not too thick to wear with flats. Some come in nude tones and are even footless, if that works for you. Often called a compression leg sleeve, they're designed for swelling, runners, frequent flyers, varicose veins and people who are on their feet all day. But they'd do double duty as a tattoo cover-up. I found them in beige and black at walmart.

com starting at under \$8. An internet search for "compression socks" will lead you to lots more buying options. **Dear Answer Angel Ellen:** I took your advice several years ago and ordered Amazon's Pinzon all-cotton 300-count sheets after also reading about them on Chris' Old Fashioned Bedding blog (grandmothershome.blogspot.com). I loved the first two sets (amazon.com, queen set, \$39.95) and wanted more. But the last two sets I ordered were not the same. They are more smooth sateen, not crisp. It was too late to return them since I ordered them in December and didn't open them up until the first sunny warm day because I love to dry them on the clothesline. Anyway, my dilemma is I still want more, but worry I'll get the same sateen, not the crisp. Has anyone else had this happen? Or perhaps you've discovered another vendor for truly crisp sheets. Thanks so much!
— *Martha Jean W.*

Dear Martha Jean: I haven't ordered my favorite Pinzon sheets in a while, but I'm eager to hear from readers if they've had your same problem. Meanwhile, I'd never seen the

blog you mentioned. It lists numerous other favorite resources for crisp sheets you might try. Meanwhile, your problem — waiting too long to try the sheets, making it impossible to return them for a refund — reminds me of a lesson I too learned the hard way: We should always check our online purchases as soon as they arrive. **Angelic Readers** Joanne S. writes: "Here's a suggestion for Lorrie on restoring old jewelry! I have clasps on my gold chains. They became tarnished and unsightly. Brushed them with gold nail polish. Worked beautifully!" From Alice S.: "If you buy a product that doesn't work and you're given the option of a refund or a replacement, take the refund. Twice I've experienced a replacement being just as bad as the first item. Eventually, it did result in a refund. Save yourself the trouble of dealing with a second nonfunctioning item and take the offered refund." **Now it's your turn** Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to answerangezellen@gmail.com.

Black doctors face racial discrimination

‘It’s what many of us have gone through directly’

By Kate Brumback
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Dr. Dare Adewumi was thrilled when he was hired to lead the neurosurgery practice at an Atlanta-area hospital near where he grew up. But he says he quickly faced racial discrimination that ultimately led to his firing and has prevented him from getting permanent work elsewhere.

His lawyers and other advocates say he’s not alone, that Black doctors across the country commonly experience discrimination, ranging from microaggressions to career-threatening disciplinary actions. Biases, conscious or not, can become magnified in the fiercely competitive hospital environment, they say, and the underrepresentation of Black doctors can discourage them from speaking up.

“Too many of us are worried about retaliation, what happens when you say something,” said Dr. Rachel Villanueva, president of the National Medical Association, which represents Black doctors. “We have scores of doctors that are sending us letters about these same discriminatory practices all the time and seeking our help as an association in fighting that.”

According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, Black doctors made up just 5% of active physicians in the U.S. in 2018, the most recent data available. People who identify as Black alone represent 12.4% of the total U.S. population, according to the 2020 U.S. census. For the 2021-20 22 academic year, 8.1% of students enrolled in medical schools identified as Black alone.



Dr. Dare Adewumi was thrilled when he was hired to lead the neurosurgery practice at Wellstar Cobb Hospital in Austell, Georgia. But he says he quickly faced racial discrimination that ultimately led to his firing. **MIKE STEWART/AP**

The medical school association and the National Medical Association in 2020 announced an initiative to address the scarcity of Black men in medicine — they made up only 2.9% of 2019-2020 enrolled students.

The American Medical Association, the country’s largest, most influential doctors’ group, is also trying to attract Black students to medicine, working with historically Black colleges and universities, president Dr. Gerald Harmon said.

“We’re trying to put our money where our mouth is on this and our actions where our thoughts are,” he said, acknowledging that, among other things, a shortage of Black physicians contributes to poorer health outcomes for Black patients.

Some Black doctors who believe they’ve been mistreated are speaking out. Adewumi, 39, filed a federal lawsuit in Septem-

ber against Wellstar Medical Group and Wellstar Health Systems alleging employment discrimination based on race.

“If they don’t like him, that’s one thing, but you can’t penalize someone — according to the law — based on race,” his lawyer C.K. Hoffer said. “And that’s the exact thing that happened to Dare. And that’s what many, many highly skilled, highly trained, highly credentialed African American doctors are experiencing in this country.”

Adewumi said some of his surgical decisions were questioned and he was placed on a performance review plan, steps he says were a pretext to push him out. He said he had a previously unblemished record and his white colleagues didn’t face similar scrutiny.

“I’ve worked so hard, done so much to get to this level, and all I really wanted to do was help sick

people,” he said. “And here I was having this taken away from me for no reason other than my skin color.”

William Hill, an attorney for Wellstar, said the case is sealed so he’s unable to speak about specifics.

“Wellstar does not discriminate. Dr. Adewumi has not been the subject of discrimination or unfair treatment. Patient care and safety are Wellstar’s top priorities,” Hill wrote in an email, noting that they have filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit.

Dr. Stella Safo, an HIV specialist, is among a group of past and present employees at the Arnhold Institute for Global Health at Mount Sinai in New York City who in April 2019 sued alleging sex, age and race discrimination. Some claims have been dismissed but others are moving forward. Safo’s claims focus on alleged gender discrimination, but she said that, as a Black woman, race and gender

discrimination are intertwined. Since filing the lawsuit, she’s heard from a lot of people with similar stories.

Adewumi’s allegations don’t surprise her: “It’s what many of us have gone through directly,” she said.

Speaking out has been “terrible,” Safo said. But she’s felt vindicated by changes: The New York City Council last year passed legislation to create an advisory board to examine racial and gender discrimination in hospitals.

A judge sealed Adewumi’s lawsuit and some filings in the case at the request of Wellstar, which cited confidential information. The following account of what happened comes from an interview with Adewumi and a complaint he filed with the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, which in July granted him permission to sue.

Adewumi signed on in

March 2018 to lead neurosurgery services at Wellstar Cobb Hospital in Austell, Georgia. The hospital hadn’t had a neurosurgeon for a decade and referred patients elsewhere, including Wellstar Kennestone Hospital, where Adewumi’s supervisor worked.

As his practice started to flourish, Adewumi felt his supervisor was targeting him “with the intention of undermining my skill as a physician and pushing me out of the group,” the EEOC complaint says.

In November 2018, Adewumi began receiving “letters of inquiry” about surgeries he’d done. These anonymous letters can be submitted by any member of the medical staff or be triggered by a patient complaint.

At first, Adewumi said, he didn’t know what the letters were. But within eight months, he had received 15, all but one filed by colleagues.

Separate independent reviews requested by the hospital and by Adewumi’s lawyers found that concerns stemmed from differences in opinion about the approach or surgical technique, not patient care standards or safety, according to the EEOC complaint.

After trying unsuccessfully to mend the relationship with his supervisor, Adewumi said he went up the chain to raise concerns and a hospital system executive suggested it might be better if he resigned. Adewumi refused to quit.

Several Black doctors in Georgia and elsewhere who spoke to The Associated Press said the hierarchy and competition in hospitals, where surgeons are evaluated and compensated based on productivity, can lead to people being targeted if they aren’t liked or are perceived as professional threats. Racial bias can compound that, they said.

PEOPLE’S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Ingesting turmeric leads to nosebleeds for some readers

By Joe Graedon, M.S., and Teresa Graedon, Ph.D.
King Features Syndicate

Q: I took turmeric to ease my arthritis. It worked wonderfully for the pain, but I had excessive nosebleeds that disappeared when I stopped the turmeric. I hated to do that, since the spice has so many healthful benefits! I’d love to know about other natural options for pain relief.

A: You are by no means the only person to experience nosebleeds while taking turmeric. We received this note from another reader: “I had a torn meniscus that eventually led to complex regional pain syndrome. I tried turmeric as an anti-inflammatory treatment. Then I started to get occasional nosebleeds.

“About three weeks in, I got a very heavy nosebleed in the shower. It took about 20 minutes for it to stop. Two days later, another nosebleed started in the shower.

“It was horrific, and I ended up in the emergency room. The doctor was able to stop the bleeding. When I saw the follow-up ENT doctor, she confirmed that turmeric was the culprit.

“Turmeric is a natural blood thinner. Despite the benefits to taking turmeric, I will stay away because of my unfortunate experiences.”

There is not a lot of research on the anticoagulant activity of turmeric and its active ingredient curcumin. One study in BMB Reports (April 2012) suggests that curcumin has both anti-inflammatory and anticoagulant effects. Other potential complications include nausea, diarrhea, headache and liver enzyme elevations.



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Q: Quite often, I experience excruciating pain in my feet and ankles. The doctor says the pain comes from nerve endings.

I saw an ad on TV for Nerve. When I looked it up, I found that it is not a prescription drug but appears to be an herbal remedy. Are there home remedies for this pain from nerve endings?

A: You seem to be describing what doctors refer to as neuropathic pain. The over-the-counter product Nerve Nerve Relief contains B vitamins (thiamine, pyridoxine and cyanocobalamin). It also includes the dietary supplement alpha lipoic acid, or ALA, as well as extracts of turmeric and ginger. We searched for clinical trial data on this formulation, but could find no randomized placebo-controlled, double-blind studies. The manufacturer includes this disclaimer on its website: “These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease.”

A recent review of alpha lipoic acid found that this antioxidant may be helpful for neuropathy that’s due to diabetes

(Pharmacological Research, March 2022). B vitamins, like those in this product, have been found helpful against low back pain (Semergen, November-December 2021). We would very much like to see a well-controlled clinical trial on this remedy. Please let us know if it works for you.

Q: I so appreciate you writing about home remedies. When I had diarrhea as a little kid, my mother would grate an apple. Once it turned brown, she’d feed me a few spoonfuls. In addition, I’d have toast and plain rice for a day or two. She said it was pectin in the apple that eased diarrhea.

A: Thank you for your recollection. This sounds quite similar to the BRAT diet that is still recommended by some pediatricians for kids with digestive upset. It stands for bananas, rice, apple sauce and toast. Bananas and apples are good sources of pectin which may help ease diarrhea. Rice and toast are considered easy to digest.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Q&A

Ways to treat vaginal dryness for women with menopause

Mayo Clinic

Q: I began menopause about two years ago at age 52. I am noticing that I am beginning to experience vaginal dryness. Is this normal? Is there anything that can be done about it? I have tried using over-the-counter lubricants, and they don’t help much.

A: Vaginal dryness is common in women who are approaching menopause and those who have gone through menopause. Other related symptoms include vaginal and vulvar irritation; burning or itching; discomfort or pain with sexual activity; and urinary symptoms, such as more frequent or urgent urination, urge leak and urinary tract infections. Together, these symptoms are referred to as “genitourinary syndrome of menopause,” or GSM. These symptoms occur in roughly half of menopausal women and are even more common in women with breast cancer.

In contrast to hot flashes, which typically improve over time, symptoms of genitourinary syndrome of menopause generally do not get better with time and may worsen. Over-the-counter products can help. But when they do not, prescription medications are often a useful alternative.

Before menopause, a thin layer of moisture coats the vaginal walls. When a woman is sexually aroused, more blood flows to the pelvic organs. That produces more lubricating vaginal fluid. But hormonal changes can affect the amount and consistency of the moisture.

As a woman ages, her body makes less of the hormone estrogen. In the time just before and during menopause, estrogen



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decline becomes more rapid. As a result of the loss of estrogen, blood flow to the vagina decreases, the walls become thinner and less elastic, and moisture decreases.

Several types of over-the-counter nonprescription products are available to relieve vaginal dryness. Water-, oil- or silicone-based lubricants can be effective, and they are intended to be used for sexual activity. Moisturizers that mimic your body’s natural lubrication are used regularly — every one to three days — to help maintain vulvar and vaginal moisture. For the greatest effect, they need to be used consistently. You may need to try a few varieties of these products.

You also may be able to decrease vaginal dryness by avoiding the use of products on sensitive vulvar and vaginal tissues that could cause irritation, such as antibacterial or perfumed soaps, bubble baths, bath oils and hand lotion. Also avoid perfumed or scented toilet paper and laundry detergent. Do not use douches, or flavored or warming lubricants.

Make sure your partner knows what’s happening too. Talk about what feels good during sex and what doesn’t. When you are intimate with your part-

ner, give yourself plenty of time to become adequately aroused. That can help with lubrication. Having painless intercourse regularly also may reduce vaginal dryness. Intercourse should not be painful.

If those steps are not enough to overcome dryness or discomfort with sexual activity, make an appointment to see your health care provider. He or she may suggest a prescription that contains a low dose of hormones delivered locally to vulvar and vaginal tissues. Topical forms of dehydroepiandrosterone (vaginal insert) and estrogen (vaginal cream, ring, tablet and insert) effectively treat vaginal dryness and pain with sexual activity related to loss of estrogen. These products are used as long as needed to manage symptoms. An oral medication — ospemifene — is a selective estrogen receptor modulator that also is approved to treat vaginal dryness and painful sex related to menopause.

— *Stephanie Faubion, M.D., director of the Center for Women’s Health, Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, Florida*

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Reality moved closer to what Vara imagined

Boy from rural India becomes tech mogul creating new world order in dystopian novel

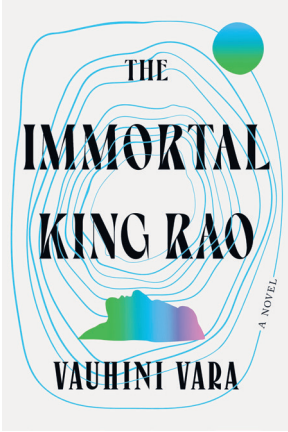
By Alisha Haridasani Gupta
The New York Times

Vauhini Vara started writing her debut novel 13 years ago, when she was working as a technology journalist and meeting CEOs such as Larry Ellison of Oracle and Mark Zuckerberg of what was then a very young Facebook. The lack of South Asian leaders in the industry sparked an idea: Her main character, an Indian, would become a tech CEO in the United States. By making her protagonist a man from the Dalit community, which ranks lowest in the Hindu hierarchical caste system, she was simply incorporating what she had a connection to, she said; her father is Dalit and grew up on a coconut grove in rural India. Those deeply personal decisions turned out to be prescient. Now, as her novel, “The Immortal King Rao,” is being published, six of the world’s largest technology companies — Adobe, Alphabet, IBM, Microsoft, Google and Twitter — are being led by men of Indian descent. The prominence of Indian-born leaders in tech is just one of the ways in which the near future Vara painted in her sprawling science-fiction novel feels like less of an imaginative leap now than when she started writing. “It’s almost like reality moved closer to what I imagined as a sort of speculative future in my book,” Vara said. In the years that followed

her work as a technology reporter, Vara studied creative writing, took other jobs in journalism, moved and then moved again. She had a child. She wrote the book in any sliver of spare time she had. “I was always working full time,” Vara said. “So I would write on weekends, I would write in the evening and sometimes a year would go by, and I wouldn’t write at all.” “The Immortal King Rao,” now available, begins in the 1950s with the birth of a child — a Dalit boy who enters the world “possessing not even a name” but who comes to be known as King Rao. His mother wants to name him Raja, the Hindi word for king, but her brother-in-law, an Anglophile, insists on using the English word instead. At around the time of Rao’s birth, his family finds itself in the rare position of becoming owners of a coconut grove, which gives them the means to send the boy to school and then to college. When he is hired as a teaching assistant in the engineering department of a university in Seattle, a friend tells him that “caste would be meaningless in the United States.” So he joins the wave of Indian immigrants landing in America in the 1970s. Imagining Rao’s childhood was initially difficult for Vara because growing up in North America — first in Saskatchewan, Canada, then in the suburbs of Oklahoma and Seattle — she didn’t have personal experiences from which to draw. “That story is my



Vauhini Vara, who is seen April 12 in her Colorado home, recently released her debut novel. RACHEL WOOLF/THE NEW YORK TIMES



‘The Immortal King Rao’
By Vauhini Vara; W.W. Norton & Company, 384 pages, \$27.95.
family’s story, but it’s not my story,” she said. “I don’t have firsthand knowledge of what it’s like to grow up in rural India, what it’s like to be Dalit in India.” She approached the topic as a journalist: In 2010, she visited the rural town of Tottaramudi, in the south-eastern state of Andhra Pradesh, where her father was born, and interviewed the extended family she

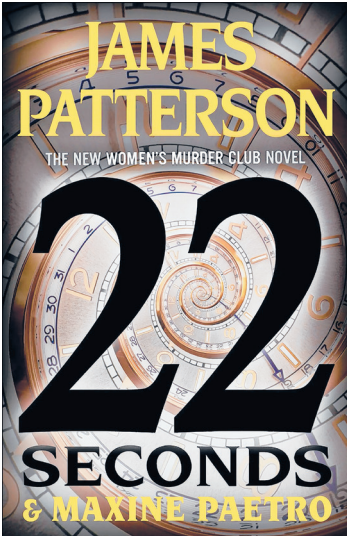
had there. It is also why the story is not told from Rao’s perspective, but from his daughter Athena’s, Vara said. The result is a nuanced portrayal of a community that rarely appears in novels published by major presses in the West, said Karan Mahajan, the Indian American author of “The Association of Small Bombs” and a friend of Vara’s from college who gave her feedback on the manuscript. “It brings people into the complexity of Dalit life,” he said, while avoiding exploitative portrayals of poverty or seeing Dalits “monochromatically through the lens of oppression.” In Vara’s book, Dalits are not victims but entrepreneurs, innovators and geniuses. At the same time, there is now also a growing awareness that, many rungs below the C-suite at some of the world’s largest tech companies, caste discrimination is an often-overlooked issue among South Asian immigrants. Vara’s novel nimbly leaps

genres once Rao lands in Seattle. There, he begins to develop a Steve Jobs-like personality as he works with his professor, Elbert Norman, and his professor’s daughter, Margie, to invent a revolutionary new product — a personal computer — that quickly attracts a loyal consumer base. From the moment he sells his first computer, the Coconut, for \$999, Rao is hooked on the capitalist American dream. “If you’re smart, ambitious and talented, you’re rewarded!” he tells Margie. “You get to change — foreign student to inventor, businessman!” As his company, the Coconut Computer Corporation, grows and churns out more products, Rao’s ambitions widen and the novel takes on a dystopian bent. He goes on to create a new world order — one in which the government is run by a corporation and citizens are known as “Shareholders.” He also invents a genetic code that, when injected into humans, produces

“biotransistors” that bind their brains to the internet, enabling them to access all of the world’s information, to read one another’s minds and to store and transfer their own memories. “Interestingly, as the writing went on and as time went on, Elon Musk founded Neuralink,” Vara noted, referring to the tech billionaire’s 2016 project to create brain implants that would connect humans and computers. What was once a radically imaginative part of Vara’s plot punctured the fine line between fiction and nonfiction and became real enough that she could watch explanatory how-to videos about the new technology. When Vara finally finished “The Immortal King Rao,” she sent a copy to her father, who inspired so much of the plot. He sent her a few corrections on Dalit life and told her he loved that she quotes Thomas Piketty in her epigraph. He had just one negative criticism. “It could have been funnier,” he told her.

NATIONAL BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION
1. **“22 Seconds”** by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro (Little, Brown) *Last week: —*



- 2. **“Run, Rose, Run”** by Dolly Parton and James Patterson (Little, Brown) *Last week: 2*
- 3. **“Book of Night”** by Holly Black (Tor) *Last week: —*
- 4. **“Dream Town”** by David Baldacci (Grand Central) *Last week: 1*
- 5. **“The Homewreckers”** by Mary Kay Andrews (St. Martin’s) *Last week: —*
- 6. **“Beautiful”** by Danielle Steel (Delacorte) *Last week: 4*
- 7. **“The Investigator”** by John Sandford (Putnam) *Last week: 6*
- 8. **“The Paris Apartment”** by Lucy Foley (Morrow) *Last week: 9*
- 9. **“The Last Thing He Told Me”** by Laura Dave (Simon & Schuster) *Last week: 13*
- 10. **“Sea of Tranquility”** by Emily St. John Mandel (Knopf) *Last week: 8*

HARDCOVER NONFICTION
1. **“Finding Me”** by Viola Davis (HarperOne) *Last week: 1*



- 2. **“The Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak: Lessons on Faith from Nine Biblical Families”** by Shannon Bream (Broadside) *Last week: 5*
- 3. **“Killing the Killers: The Secret War Against Terrorists (Bill O’Reilly’s Killing Series)”** by Bill O’Reilly and Martin Dugard (St. Martin’s) *Last week: —*
- 4. **“This Will Not Pass: Trump, Biden, and the Battle for America’s Future”** by Jonathan Martin and Alexander Burns (Simon & Schuster) *Last week: —*
- 5. **“Outdoor Kids in an Inside World: Getting Your Family Out of the House and Radically Engaged with Nature”** by Steven Rinella (Random House) *Last week: —*
- 6. **“Build: An Unorthodox Guide to Making Things Worth Making”** by Tony Fadell (Harper Business) *Last week: —*
- 7. **“The Palace Papers: Inside the House of Windsor — the Truth and the Turmoil”** by Tina Brown (Crown) *Last week: 2*
- 8. **“Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connection and the Language of Human Experience”** by Brene Brown (Random House) *Last week: 8*
- 9. **“Half Baked Harvest Every Day: Recipes for Balanced, Flexible, Feel-Good Meals: A Cookbook”** by Tieghan Gerard (Clarkson Potter) *Last week: 11*
- 10. **“Speak: Find Your Voice, Trust Your Gut, and Get from Where You Are to Where You Want to Be”** by Tunde Oyeneyin (Avid Reader) *Last week: —*

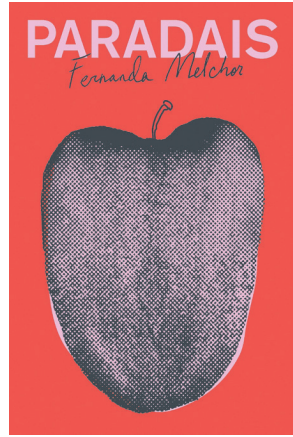
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— Publishers Weekly

BOOK REVIEWS

No redemption in this paradise lost

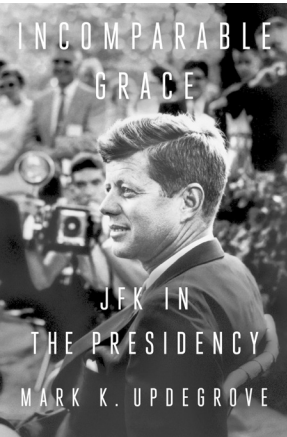
The fantasies that distort reality slither through *Paradais*, the gated community that sets Fernanda Melchor’s garden of Eden and gives her latest novel its name. Macabre characters drive the plot and slithering syntax the prose, guiding Melchor’s tale into the shadows of a society locked by chains. Outcast teenagers Leopoldo Garcia Chaparro, or Polo, and Franco Andrade, or Fatboy, shape the novel’s central collisions. Told from the close third narrator, readers are brought in closer to Polo’s world. The residence’s “muchacho” travels between Progreso, his neighboring village, and *Paradais*, where he is a gardener. He is “dark skinned and ugly as sin,” according to his mother. Caught between his mother’s domineering control and the ominous drug cartels that slither through Progreso, Polo draws out his days with Fatboy, one of *Paradais*’ residents. Fatboy steals money from his grandparents to buy booze and cheesy snacks, the main incentive for Polo’s company. Fatboy obsesses over his neighbor, Senora Marian, a married woman and mother, who he fetishizes in grotesque detail. Portrayed through Polo’s interpretation, readers feel the immense loathing he feels toward Fatboy’s charmed predicament, his luxurious future a spoon-fed assurance. It’s a marked contrast to Polo’s, which is locked in the marred contours of colonial subjugation. The two form a relationship rooted in loneliness and desperation that culminates in a scheme to obtain their ultimate escapist desires, with the respective consequences playing out Mexico’s racist, classist and sexist fate. Between the basest instincts and curdled socialization that boil the plot, the



‘Paradais’
By Fernanda Melchor; New Directions, 128 pages, \$19.95.

story’s thrill only grows in catastrophic momentum. Melchor has added a necessary work to the gothic genre resonant with the social fragilities of today’s Mexico, the geopolitical vulnerability it speaks to defiant of aesthetic pretensions and moralistic conclusions. Amidst the black river that flows out in the margins of the sea, the relations between characters who populate the world’s parasitic tendencies, and the cavernous fate to which the protagonists are brought, there is no redemption in this paradise lost. — *Amancai Biraben, Associated Press*

Nearly six decades after his assassination in Dallas, President John F. Kennedy and his legacy remain an obsession for historians and the public alike. Mark K. Updegrave’s “Incomparable Grace: JFK in the Presidency” demonstrates why that obsession is well-deserved. The book provides a succinct but absorbing look at key moments in Kennedy’s time in office and provides a counterweight to some of the doorstopper biographies that have been published. Unlike some of those, Updegrave doesn’t aim for a sweeping history of every



‘Incomparable Grace’
By Mark K. Updegrave; Dutton, 368 pages, \$29.

moment in Kennedy’s life. Updegrave focuses on the key moments of Kennedy’s presidency, from the Cuban Missile Crisis to the Civil Rights Movement. The years leading up Kennedy’s time in the White House take up less than a third of the book, but hardly feel brushed over. Few people are in a better position to write about Kennedy’s life and legacy than Updegrave, the former head of the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library and ABC News’ presidential historian. The book’s most dramatic sections are the ones focusing on Kennedy grappling with the Cold War tensions with the Soviet Union as well as the struggles over Civil Rights. Kennedy’s complicated relationship with Johnson, his unfaithful yet mythologized marriage to Jackie and his brother’s role in the presidency all are covered concisely, but none are given short shrift. Updegrave provides a balanced look at Kennedy’s personal and political failings while offering a look at why a man who served just 1,036 days in office continues to rank so high by historians among the nation’s presidents. — *Andrew DeMillo, Associated Press*

Hartford Courant

SPORTS

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**HURRICANES 3,
BRUINS 2**

Bruins come up short in Game 7

By Aaron Beard
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Max Domi scored twice in the second period while Antti Raanta had 27 saves to help the Carolina Hurricanes beat the Boston Bruins 3-2 on Saturday to win the deciding Game 7 of their first-round play-off series.

Teuvo Teravainen also scored for the Hurricanes, who finally put away a Bruins team that had ousted them from the playoffs in two of the past three postseasons. That ended a series in which neither team could manage a road win, with the Hurricanes eventually getting the final word backed by yet another rowdy and loud home crowd.

Carolina advanced to the second round to face the winner of Sunday's Game 7 between the New York Rangers and the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Domi was an unlikely star in this one. Carolina acquired him ahead of the March trade deadline, and he rewarded them by scoring the first postseason goals of his career. He also assisted on Teravainen's goal with a perfect pass to the top of the crease for the first-period putaway.

Raanta, who had never started a postseason game before this series, was again steady in net. He had probably his best stop on a full-split save to deny Taylor Hall near the left post in the first period of a scoreless game.

Jake DeBrusk scored a second-period goal for the Bruins, while David Pastrnak had one with 21.7 seconds left with Boston having pulled Jeremy Swayman for the extra attacker.

From there, the Hurricanes had to hang on through one final clock-killing shift to protect the lead before they could finally celebrate.

Swayman finished with 28 saves for Boston.

The Bruins found themselves playing catch-up after Domi's first goal, which had him skating in on the left side to bury a redirect attempt from Jordan Staal at 3:14 of the second.

Later, after DeBrusk had beaten Raanta from the top of the crease, Teravainen whipped a pass to Domi for a one-timer

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YANKEES

All rise! Judge is back

By Mike Lupica
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — When Giancarlo Stanton hits one, and that doesn't mean one of those cheapies to right, they stay hit.

There was a time when Alex Rodriguez, in his prime, hit balls out of sight for the Yankees, though we'll never know how many of those home runs were chemically aided.

And we had "Godzilla," Hideki Matsui for a time, all the way through the homer he hit against the Phillies in Game 6 of the 2009 World Series, the last time the Yankees managed to win it all.

It's different with Aaron Judge, who has gotten on the kind of tear we saw from him five years ago, when he hit 52 home runs in a season and set the rookie record until Pete Alonso came along on the other side of town to break it.

In so many theatrical ways No. 99 is the most exciting at-bat for the Yankees since Reggie Jackson and one of the most exciting at-bats anywhere.

"They used to call me a hot dog," Reggie told me one time. "But nobody goes to buy one

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Bloomfield High School Athletic Director Tammy Schondelmayer at the Bloomfield High School track. Schondelmayer, whose teams have won 66 state championships during her tenure, is retiring after 21 years.
JESSICA HILL / SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

COMMENTARY

21 years and 66 state titles later

Retiring AD Tammy Schondelmayer leaves Bloomfield High athletics in a far better place



Lori Riley

BLOOMFIELD — In Tammy Schondelmayer's 21-year tenure as athletic director at Bloomfield High, the Warhawks have won 66 state championships.

For a Class S school with only 500 students, that's a pretty solid track record and indeed, the boys and girls track teams have accounted for many of the titles. But there have also been championships in football, girls and boys basketball (this year for the boys)

and boys soccer.

But while the titles are celebrated, Schondelmayer - who is retiring after this season - is most proud of the biggest banner in the gym listing sportsmanship awards.

"When I came in, I wanted to change the perception of Bloomfield in the state," said Schondelmayer, 55, who lives in Manchester. "It took about 10 years but we started winning sportsmanship awards and we've won 26 - the football officials, basketball officials, baseball officials. The CCC, fall, winter and spring. Seven Michael's Cup awards, five in a row, the past five years.

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Connecticut Sun forward Jonquel Jones (35) fends off Los Angeles Sparks forward Jasmine Walker, left, and guard Jordin Canada (21) during a WNBA game on Saturday in Uncasville, Conn. Sean D. ELLIOT/THE DAY VIA AP

SUN 77, SPARKS 60

Jones, Thomas dominate in home opener victory

By Lila Bromberg
Hartford Courant

UNCASVILLE — After blocking a shot on the other end of the floor, Jonquel Jones received a pass from Alyssa Thomas behind the arc and got to work.

The reigning WNBA MVP pump-faked then bullied her way past two defenders into the paint and scooped in a layup, extending the Connecticut Sun's double-

digit lead in the first quarter.

The star duo of Jones and Thomas were utterly dominant in Saturday night's home opener as they led the Sun to a 77-60 victory over the Los Angeles Sparks.

Jones finished the night with 16 points, 12 rebounds, two assists and two steals, while Thomas had 23 points, 12 rebounds, five assists and two steals.

In addition to the strong performances from their stars, the Sun

were led by a defense that held the Sparks to 35.2% shooting from the field and had 14 steals.

The Sun were in control from the opening tip. They got off to a 12-0 start out of the gates, with Jones scoring five of those points herself. The reigning WNBA MVP's presence on the floor made a noticeable difference.

The Sparks went on a run when she subbed out of the game in the first quarter, trimming the lead to

14-9. But as soon as Jones came back into the game, she scored a bucket inside the paint to extend the advantage. She had 10 points and six rebounds in the first quarter alone, with the Sun outscoring the Sparks by 16 points when she was on the court. Thomas also had 10 points in the first quarter and the Sun led 26-14 after one.

Connecticut held Los Angeles

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UConn TRACK

Men, women win Big East outdoor titles

By Lori Riley
Hartford Courant

STORRS — It was already an emotional day Saturday for UConn track and field director Greg Roy. He was retiring after 37 years and it was his last Big East championship meet.

The UConn men's and women's teams sent him out with a fitting flourish - the Huskies won both titles for the first time in the same year all while hosting the meet on their home track.

The men won the title last year but the women had not won an

outdoor conference title since 1995.

"It's unbelievable," said Roy, choking up a little. "The men were clearly the favorite and they were a program we built to this point.

"The women, we've been building them over three years, the three hardest years of my career, between coronavirus and my health - we are at a place I thought we'd be two years ago and it was really hard to get here. But they learned how to win. Last year, it was get your [butt] kicked by Villanova. This year it was learn to win and they won."

The men's team scored 258 points and runner-up Georgetown was a distant second (125). The women scored 209 points, holding off second-place Villanova (156).

The men got performances like a gutsy win from Eric Van Der Els, a sixth-year senior from Norwalk, in the 1,500. Van Der Els pulled ahead down the last straightaway after getting stuck in traffic during the race, edging out Butler's Jesse Hamlin with a time of 3:46.64. Hamlin was second in 3:46.88.

"With Coach Roy retiring, it's just nice to do everything for him, win for him, get some good races

in," Van Der Els said. "We've been working for six years together so it's nice to end with a good season."

Jordan Torney won the men's decathlon after fellow top decathlete Nicholas Pronovost tore his Achilles during Friday's competition and wasn't able to compete.

"The kids just know what to do and they know how to do it," Roy said. "You put them out there and they take care of business. Somebody goes down, somebody steps up. Our decathlete tore his Achilles, our double-gold medalist in

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UP NEXT

Celtics: NBA Second Round vs. Bucks (Game 7), Sunday, 3:30 p.m.
Rangers: NHL First Round vs. Penguins (Game 7), Sunday, 7 p.m.
Red Sox: at Rangers, Sunday, 2:30 p.m.; Astros, Monday, 7 p.m.; Astros, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Yankees: at White Sox, Sunday, 2 p.m.; at Orioles, Monday, 7 p.m.; at Orioles, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Mets: Mariners, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Cardinals, Monday, 7 p.m.; Cardinals, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Yard Goats: Portland, Sunday, 1 p.m.; at Bowie, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; at Bowie, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Sun: at Liberty, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Fever, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Fever, May 22, 2 p.m.
Hartford Athletic: at Tulsa, Saturday, 8:30 p.m.; Phoenix, May 28, 7 p.m.; at El Paso, June 4, 9:30 p.m.

TV/RADIO

AUTO RACING
2 p.m.: IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Lexus Grand Prix of Mid-Ohio. (Live) USA
3 p.m.: NASCAR Cup Series AdventHealth 400. (Live) FS1
BASEBALL
1:30 p.m.: Seattle Mariners at New York Mets. (Live)
2 p.m.: New York Yankees at Chicago White Sox. (Live), YES. Radio: 97.9.
2:30 p.m.: Boston Red Sox at Texas Rangers. (Live), NESN. Radio: 1080.
7 p.m.: San Francisco Giants at St. Louis Cardinals. (Live) ESPN
BASKETBALL
3:30 p.m.: Conference Semifinal: Teams TBA. (Live) ABC
USFL FOOTBALL
12 p.m.: Birmingham Stallions vs Philadelphia Stars. (Live) NBC
4 p.m.: Pittsburgh Maulers vs Houston Gamblers. (Live) FOX
GOLF
1 p.m.: Cognizant Founders Cup, Final Cup. (Live) CBS
3 p.m.: AT&T Byron Nelson, Final Round. (Live) CBS
HOCKEY
6 a.m.: 2022 IIHF World Championship Italy vs Canada. (Live) NHL
9 a.m.: 2022 IIHF World Championship Austria vs United States. (Live) NHL
1 p.m.: Washington Capitals at Florida Panthers. (Live) SPRTNET
4:30 p.m.: NHL First Round: Pittsburgh Penguins at New York Rangers. (Live), TBS, MSG.
7 p.m.: Dallas Stars at Calgary Flames. (Live) SPRTNET
NCAA LACROSSE
2:30 p.m.: First Round: Ohio State at Cornell. (Live) ESPN
5 p.m.: Harvard at Rutgers. (Live) ESPN
SOCCER
7 a.m.: Premier League Tottenham Hotspur vs Burnley. (Live) USA
8:30 a.m.: Fútbol Premier League West Ham vs. Manchester City. (Live) TELE
9 a.m.: Premier League West Ham United vs Manchester City. (Live) USA
11:30 a.m.: Premier League Everton vs Brentford. (Live) USA
1:30 p.m.: MLS New England Revolution at Atlanta United FC. (Live) ESPN
4 p.m.: MLS Minnesota United FC at Seattle Sounders FC. (Live) ESPN
9 p.m.: USL Championship Soccer Tampa Bay Rowdies at Phoenix Rising FC. (Live) ESPN2
TENNIS
7 a.m.: ATP/WTA Tennis Rome-ATP/WTA, ATP/WTA Singles Finals, ATP Doubles Final. (Live) TENNIS

NBA

Bucks didn't go all out for No. 2 seed, so they must play Game 7 on the road

By Adam Himmelsbach
Boston Globe

BOSTON — The Bucks had a chance to lock up the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs by simply defeating the undermanned Cavaliers on the final day of the regular season.

Instead, they sat their top players and took the loss, seeming to indicate that avoiding the Nets in the first round was more important than potentially having homecourt advantage in the second.

Still, the decision was not totally the Bucks'.

The Celtics had a game against the Grizzlies later in the day, and they could have punted it and stayed out of the No. 2 spot. Coach Ime Udoka knew how he felt about the situation but wanted to be certain that his players were on board too.

The response was swift and unanimous.

"It was a pretty short conversation," Udoka said Saturday. "I think all of us agreed that we wanted to play our best basketball and not try to manipulate anything. [The Bucks] had a choice to play the last game, and we did against Memphis. They didn't, and they gave up the homecourt advantage."

The Celtics throttled the Grizzlies, swept the Nets in the first round and are now in position to benefit from the fearless approach they took one month ago.

This conference semifinal series against the Bucks has reached Game 7, and on Sunday afternoon it will be played at TD Garden. It will not be quiet inside.

"[The Bucks] made their choice with that," Udoka said, "and here's where we're at now."

It will be Udoka's first experience of this kind in Boston, but some Celtics who have been here longer

have a better idea of what to expect. Veteran guard Marcus Smart, for one, insinuated that the Bucks' decision was not wise.

"I just understand and know that being in the Garden is not a place you want to be on the road in Game 7," he said.

For the Bucks, the general path of this series must be at least somewhat comforting.

In these playoffs that have been filled with one home-team romp after another, this matchup has been an outlier, with the road team winning four of the first six games.

The Bucks took Games 1 and 5 in Boston, stealing the latter by charging back from a 14-point fourth-quarter deficit and leaving the Celtics numb. But facing elimination the Celtics rebounded with an emphatic 108-95 win in Game 6 on Friday night behind Jayson Tatum's 46-point eruption.

Momentum certainly feels as if it's on the Celtics' side, but over the past six games unexpected shifts have come suddenly. Also, the Bucks have shown they are worthy defending champions.

"They're a great team," Tatum said. "I think everyone over there knows their role and everybody is a star in their role. They complement each other really well.

They're well-coached, they run great sets and they're not going to beat themselves. And they've done it before, and we know that."

Nevertheless, the Bucks could be discouraged by the fact that they were unable to close out the series at home on a night when superstar forward Giannis Antetokounmpo was masterful.

The two-time league MVP had 44 points, 20 rebounds, six assists and even made 14 of 15 free throws. He can't give his team much more than that,

and because of the lack of suitable weapons around him with fellow All-Star Khris Middleton still sidelined because of a knee injury, Milwaukee's task appears daunting.

The Celtics are hopeful they will welcome back Robert Williams, who has missed the last three games because of a bone bruise on his surgically repaired left knee. Udoka said Saturday the swelling and pain have dissipated and Williams is just dealing with minor movement restrictions.

"He's legitimately day to day," Udoka said.

The Celtics have won two of the last three without their talented young center, and if not for their late collapse in Game 5 they would have been perfect. So they will push forward either way and insist they will be ready.

"This is it, do or die," Tatum said. "It's going to be fun."

NHL PLAYOFFS

Rangers won't change their approach for G7

By Andrew Gross
Newsday

GREENBURGH, N.Y. — Game 7s are special and the Rangers know that.

But that doesn't mean they want to change their approach on Sunday night at a sure-to-be delirious Madison Square Garden after rallying to push their first-round series with the Penguins to the brink with wins in the last two games.

"We're real excited," coach Gerard Gallant said after Saturday's well-attended, optional practice at the MSG Training Center. "Being down 3-1 and battling back to get back to a Game 7 is huge for us. Now, we've got to make sure we finish it off tomorrow and play the right way."

It will be the Rangers' 16th Game 7 but first since losing the Eastern Conference final to the Lightning at the Garden, 2-0, on May 29, 2015.

The Rangers evened this series with Friday night's 5-3 win in Pittsburgh. Chris Kreider scored twice, including the winner at 18:32 of the third period, as did linemate Mika Zibanejad while Igor Shesterkin stopped 31 shots.

Penguins captain Sidney Crosby missed Game 6 with a suspected concussion but could return in Game 7. No. 1 goalie Tristan Jarry might also be available after missing the first six games while recovering from a broken foot.

But the Rangers know they must focus on their own play, rather than who they are playing.

"It's a huge game but I don't think we should



Rangers' Chris Kreider (20) celebrates his goal during the third period in Game 6 against the Penguins on Friday in Pittsburgh. GENE J. PUSKAR/AP

change anything," said Alexis Lafreniere, who will play in his first NHL Game 7. "Just get ready and go out there and have fun. I know the building is going to be probably loud."

"We just need to settle down and get to our game," said Kreider, who has played in six of the seven Rangers' Game 7s since joining the team in the 2012 playoffs. "We've been doing a better job of that over the last few games and that's why we've had results. There's not a playoff way to play, or a regular-season way to play. There's Rangers hockey and that's all there is. We've been treating every game since we've been down like it's a Game 7. It's been do-or-die for us so nothing changes."

Well, perhaps some things could change.

For instance, not falling behind by two goals as they did in each of the last two victories.

"It's worked out for us, so far," Gallant said. "But I don't like it."

The Rangers were able

to start well in splitting the series first two games at the Garden. But their last four first periods have been sluggish, especially in establishing a forecheck or winning puck battles.

"We never want to go down," Lafreniere said. "But when we're down, we're still playing good hockey. You always want to play with the lead and have good starts but it's something they're trying to do, too. Try to have the best start we can and play a full 60."

That the Rangers are still alive in this series speaks to their season-long resiliency.

"It's going on the whole year and, every time, we're making good comebacks," said Artemi Panarin, who has to two goals and four assists in the series. "It's a good thing. But we have to start, probably, playing in the first period."

Sunday will mark Panarin's first NHL Game 7 as well.

And he's not sure whether he'll be nervous.



Boston Bruins' Patrice Bergeron (37) skates after the Carolina Hurricanes' win in Game 7 of an NHL hockey Stanley Cup first-round playoff series on Saturday in Raleigh, N.C. KARL B. DEBLAKER/AP

Bruins

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that blasted the puck past Swayman at 10:33 of the second for the 3-1 lead.

The Bruins, a tested veteran squad, were in the playoffs for the sixth straight season. That run included a sweep of the Hurricanes in the 2019 Eastern Conference finals, as well as a five-game win in the first round of the Toronto bubble a year later.

This time, the Hurricanes never trailed in the series before finally grinding through after dominating the Bruins in three regular-season meetings. And the Bruins head into an offseason with some uncertainty about the future of captain and longtime No. 1 center Patrice Bergeron, who can become

an unrestricted free agent after 18 seasons with the team.

Notes: The Hurricanes improved to 6-0 in Game 7s since the former Hartford Whalers relocated to North Carolina in 1997. That includes the 2006 Stanley Cup finals against Edmonton, as well as a second-round series win on the road at Boston in 2009. ... This marks the first time Boston exited from the playoffs without winning a series since falling in a six-game series to Ottawa in 2017.

The Hurricanes had their biggest home crowd in franchise history for this one with an attendance of 19,513. That surpassed the previous mark of 19,495, set during the final win in a second-round sweep of the New York Islanders in 2019.

REGIONAL DIGEST

UConn softball loses in Big East championship to Villanova

The third-seeded Villanova softball team took advantage of a hit batter, two errors, a walk and a single to put up a three-run first inning and defeat top seed UConn 3-0 on Saturday in the Big East Tournament championship game in Chicago.

Provided the early lead, Wildcats starter and winner Paige Rauch (17-6) and reliever Sara Kennedy combined on a four-hit shutout. Coming out of the losers' bracket, had UConn won it would have had to beat the Wildcats in a second game that would have followed to win the title.

In the top of the first UConn starter Meghan O'Neil hit Angela Giampolo to start the game. Rauch then walked and Chloe Smith reached on an error to load the bases. After two were out, Kelsey White singled in two runs with a third coming home on an error.

Jana Sanden had two hits, includ-

ing a double for the Huskies, who finish the season 38-17 and must now hope for an at-large berth into the NCAA softball field. The selections will be announced on Sunday at 7 p.m. on ESPN2.

UConn baseball hammers Xavier

Matt Donlan and Bryan Padilla hit back-to-back home runs as the UConn baseball team jumped out to a six-run first-inning lead and defeated Xavier 11-3 in a Big East Conference game at Elliot Ballpark.

The win snapped a two-game losing streak for the 41-10 Huskies. David Smith had three hits, including a homer, and drove in three. Pat Gallagher started and went six innings, allowing a run on six hits to improve to 8-2.

The teams conclude the three-game series on Sunday at 12:05 p.m.

UConn has a nonconference game at Bryant on Tuesday before closing out the regular season with a three-game series beginning Thursday at Georgetown.

Late goal lifts Hartford Athletic

Corey Herzog's goal with a minute left in extra time lifted the Hartford Athletic to a 3-2 USL Championship win over New York Red Bulls II on Saturday at Trinity Health Stadium. It was the second straight league for Hartford, which went its first seven before getting a win against Loudoun United on May 7.

Luka Prpa opened the scoring for Hartford (2-6-1) with a goal at 36 minutes. New York's Jordan Adebayo-Smith tied the score in extra time at the end of the first half. Joel Johnson put the Athletic

Yard Goats lost to Portland, 5-4

The Portland Sea Dogs made the most of their six hits and 10 walks and defeated the Hartford Yard Goats 5-4 in an Eastern League Northern Division game at Dunkin' Donuts Park.

Pedro Castellanos had a hit and two RBIs for Portland and Victor Santos started and went 5 ½ innings for the win. Michael Toglia had two hits, including a ninth-inning solo home run, and two RBI for the Yard Goats. Mitchell Kilkenny (1-5) started and took the loss after allowing four runs on four hits in two innings.

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SCOREBOARD

NBA

PLAYOFF SCHEDULE
EAST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
#1 Miami 4, #4 Philadelphia 2

#3 Milwaukee 3, #2 Boston 3
May 1: Milwaukee 101-89
May 3: Boston 109-86
May 7: Milwaukee 103-101
May 9: Boston 116-108
May 11: Milwaukee 110-107
May 13: Boston 108-95
Sunday: at Boston, 3:30 p.m.

WEST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
#1 Phoenix 3, #4 Dallas 3
May 2: Phoenix 121-114
May 4: at Phoenix 129-109
May 6: Dallas 103-94
May 8: Dallas 111-101
May 10: Phoenix 110-80
May 12: Dallas 113-86
Sunday: at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

#3 Golden State 4, #2 Memphis 2
May 1: Golden State 117-116
May 3: Memphis 106-101
May 7: Golden State 142-112
May 9: at Golden State, 101-98
May 11: Memphis 134-95
May 13: Golden State 110-96

EAST CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
#1 Miami vs. #2 Boston/ #3 Milwaukee
Tuesday: Bos/Mil vs. Miami, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday: Bos/Mil vs. Miami, 8:30 p.m.
May 21: Miami vs. Bos/Mil, 8:30 p.m.
May 23: Miami vs. Bos/Mil, 8:30 p.m.
x-May 25: Bos/Mil vs. Miami, 8:30 p.m.
x-May 27: Miami vs. Bos/Mil, 8:30 p.m.
x-May 29: Bos/Mil vs. Miami, 8:30 p.m.

WEST CONFERENCE FINALS
#1 Phoenix/ #4 Dallas vs.
#3 Golden State
Wed: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
May 20: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
May 22: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
May 24: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
x-May 26: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
x-May 28: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 9 p.m.
x-May 30: Phx/Dal vs. Golden St., 8 p.m.

PLAYOFF LEADERS	THROUGH SATURDAY
SCORING AVERAGE	G FG FT Pts AVG
Antetokounmpo, MIL	11.130 87 355 32.3
Domcic, DAL	9 99 55 280 31.1
Jokic, DEN	5 61 28 155 31.0
Tatum, BOS	10 96 62 288 28.8
Butler, MIA	10 104 63 287 28.7
Morant, MEM	9 81 65 244 27.1
Ingram, NO	6 56 39 162 27.0
Curry, GS	11 96 62 296 26.9
Durant, BKN	4 32 34 105 26.3
Mitchell, UTA	6 53 37 153 25.5
Edwards, MIN	6 50 28 151 25.2
Booker, PHO	9 76 42 222 24.7
Embiid, PHI	10 78 73 236 23.6
Brunson, DAL	12 102 55 274 22.8
Siakam, TOR	6 51 31 137 22.8
Brown, BOS	10 80 42 225 22.5
McCollum, NO	6 49 18 133 22.2
Towns, MIN	6 39 43 131 21.8
Irving, BKN	4 28 21 85 21.3
Hunter, ATL	5 39 16 106 21.2
DeRozan, CHI	5 39 26 104 20.8
Maxeys, PHI	12 88 47 249 20.8
Thompson, GS	11 86 10 224 20.4
Vucevic, CHI	5 40 4 97 19.4
Lavigne, CHI	4 27 14 77 19.3
Poole, GS	11 74 37 212 19.3
Ayton, PHO	12 103 20 228 19.0
Holiday, MIL	11 80 23 208 18.9
Bane, MEM	12 76 30 225 18.8
Harden, PHI	12 64 67 223 18.6
Paul, PHO	12 83 34 218 18.2
Bogdanovic, UTA	6 39 13 108 18.0
Kunukony, UTA	6 40 16 105 17.5
Arunkony, TOR	6 39 12 104 17.3
Harris, PHI	12 81 19 203 16.9
Jackson, MEM	12 59 40 185 15.4
Smart, BOS	9 50 17 139 15.4
Young, ATL	5 22 26 77 15.4
Trent, TOR	6 31 17 92 15.3
Adebayo, MIA	11 57 47 161 14.6
Brooks, MEM	11 60 16 161 14.6
Curry, BKN	4 22 2 58 14.5
Valanciunas, NO	6 33 20 87 14.5
Wiggins, GS	11 62 20 160 14.5
Bogdanovic, ATL	4 20 8 57 14.3
Brown, BKN	4 21 8 56 14.0
Morris, DEN	5 25 9 70 14.0
Bridges, PHO	12 63 28 167 13.9
Barton, DEN	5 27 4 69 13.8
Gordon, BOS	5 23 4 69 13.8

3-PT FG PERCENTAGE	3FG	3FGA	PCT
Payton, GS	6	8	.750
Knox, ATL	6	10	.600
Mills, BKN	7	13	.538
Milton, PHI	8	15	.533
Curry, BKN	12	23	.522
McDaniels, MIN	10	20	.500
Bane, MEM	43	88	.489
Tucker, MIA	15	31	.484
Kleber, DAL	28	58	.483
Robinson, MIA	11	23	.478
Murphy, NO	9	19	.474
Bertans, DAL	16	34	.471
Horford, BOS	23	49	.469
Hunter, ATL	12	26	.462
Booker, PHO	6	28	.61 459
Towns, MIN	10	22	.455
Bridges, PHO	13	30	.433
Allen, MIL	19	44	.432
Brown, BKN	6	14	.429
Matthews, MIL	18	42	.429
Middleton, MIL	6	14	.429
Finney-Smith, DAL	34	80	.425
Connaughton, MIL	25	59	.424
Morris, DEN	11	26	.423
Williams, BOS	18	43	.419
Jones, NO	5	12	.417
Green, PHI	31	76	.408
Thompson, GS	42	103	.408

WNBA

EASTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	3	1	.750	—
Atlanta	2	1	.667	½
Chicago	1	1	.500	1
Indiana	2	2	.500	1
New York	1	1	.333	1½
Connecticut	0	1	.000	1½
WESTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	3	1	.750	—
Los Angeles	2	1	.667	½
Phoenix	2	1	.667	½
Dallas	1	1	.500	1
Seattle	1	3	.250	2
Minnesota	0	3	.000	2½

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Phoenix 69, Seattle 64
Los Angeles at Connecticut, late
Chicago at Minnesota, late

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Dallas at New York, 2p.m.
Atlanta at Indiana, 3p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Connecticut at New York, 7p.m.
Atlanta at Indiana, 7p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 9p.m.
Philadelphia at Las Vegas, 10p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAME
Chicago at Seattle, 10p.m.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Dallas 94, Washington 86
Las Vegas 96, Atlanta 73
Indiana 92, New York 86

USFL

All games in Birmingham, Ala.

NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
New Jersey	4	1	0	.800	106	80
Philadelphia	2	2	0	.500	89	95
Michigan	1	4	0	.200	87	85
Pittsburgh	0	4	0	.000	39	92
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Birmingham	4	0	0	1.000	99	75
New Orleans	3	2	0	.600	110	85
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	84	95
Houston	1	3	0	.250	87	99

WEEK 5
SATURDAY'S RESULT
New Jersey 27, New Orleans 17

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Birmingham at Philadelphia, Noon
Pittsburgh at Houston, 4p.m.

FRIDAY'S RESULT
Tampa Bay 27, Michigan 20

NHL

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS
FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Carolina 4, Boston 3
May 2: Carolina 5-2
May 4: Carolina 5-2
May 6: Boston, 5-2
May 10: Carolina, 5-1
May 12: Boston 5-2
Saturday: Carolina 3-2

Pittsburgh 3, N.Y. Rangers 3
May 3: Pittsburgh 4-3 (3OT)
May 5: N.Y. Rangers 5-2
May 7: Pittsburgh 7-4
May 9: Pittsburgh 7-2
May 11: N.Y. Rangers 5-2
May 13: N.Y. Rangers 5-3
Sunday: at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.

Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 3
May 2: Toronto 5-0
May 4: Tampa Bay 5-3
May 6: Toronto 5-2
May 8: Tampa Bay 7-3
May 10: Toronto 4-3 (OT)
May 12: Tampa Bay 4-3 (OT)
Saturday: at Toronto, late

Florida 4, Washington 2
May 3: Washington 4-2
May 5: Florida 5-1
May 7: Washington 6-1
May 9: Florida 3-2 (OT)
May 11: Florida 5-3
May 13: Florida 4-3 (OT)

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Calgary 3, Dallas 3
May 3: Calgary 1-0
May 5: Dallas 2-0
May 7: Dallas 4-2
May 9: Calgary 4-1
May 11: Calgary 3-1
May 13: Dallas 4-2
Sunday: at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

Los Angeles 3, Edmonton 3
May 2: Los Angeles 4-3
May 4: Edmonton 6-0
May 6: Edmonton 8-2
May 8: Los Angeles 4-0 (OT)
May 10: Los Angeles 5-4 (OT)
May 12: Edmonton 4-2
x-Saturday: at Edmonton, late

Colorado 4, Nashville 0

St. Louis 4, Minnesota 2

EASTERN CONFERENCE
SECOND ROUND
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Florida vs. Toronto/Tampa Bay
All games TBD
N.Y. Rangers/Pittsburgh vs. Carolina
All games TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE
SECOND ROUND
St. Louis vs. Colorado
G1: at Colorado, TBD
G2: at Colorado, TBD
G3: at St. Louis, TBD
G4: at St. Louis, TBD
x-G5: at Colorado, TBD
x-G6: at St. Louis, TBD
x-G7: at Colorado, TBD

Calgary/Dallas vs.
Edmonton/Los Angeles
All games TBD

TENNIS

INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA
At Foro Italico, Rome, Red Clay-outdoor
MEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
#1Novak Djokovic d.
#5Casper Ruud, 6-4, 6-3.
#4Stefanos Tsitsipas d.
#2Alexander Zverev, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
#1Iga Swiatek d.
#3Aryna Sabalenka 6-2, 6-1.
#9Ons Jabeur d.
Daria Kasatkina, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5.

WTA TROPHEE LAGARDERE
At Lagardère Paris Racing Club, Paris;
clay-outdoors
WOMEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
#7Claire Liu d.
#1Kaia Kanepi, 6-4, 2-6, 6-0.
#3Beatriz Haddad Maia d.
Ana Bogdan, 5-7, 6-3, 6-1.

WTA LIQUI MOLY OPEN
Karlsruhe, Germany; clay-outdoors
WOMEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINALS
#2 Mayar Sherif d.
#3Anna Bondar, 6-2, 6-2.
#8 Bernarda Pera d.
Anna-Lena Friedsam, 7-5, 2-0, retired.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR CUP SERIES
DRIVER POINT STANDINGS

DRIVER	W	TS	T10	PTS
Chase Elliott	1	3	9	453
William Byron	2	4	4	388
Ryan Blaney	0	4	6	388
Joey Logano	1	4	6	374
Ross Chastain	2	7	7	364
Kyle Busch	1	3	8	364
Martin Truex, Jr.	0	2	5	364
Alex Bowman	1	3	7	357
Kyle Larson	1	5	6	336
Christopher Bell	0	2	6	327
Kevin Harvick	0	2	6	313
Aric Almirola	0	1	4	311
Chase Briscoe	1	2	3	287
Austin Dillon	0	3	6	287
Tyler Reddick	0	4	5	286
Erik Jones	0	1	4	282
Daniel Suarez	0	2	4	269
Austin Cindric	1	1	2	258
Chris Buescher	0	0	3	251
Justin Haley	0	1	1	243
Kurt Busch	0	2	4	233
Denny Hamlin	1	1	1	231
Michael McDowell	0	0	4	231
Bubba Wallace	0	1	1	225
Ty Dillon	0	0	1	205
Cole Custer	0	0	0	200
Ricky Stenhouse, Jr.	0	1	3	198
Todd Gilliland	0	0	0	173
Harrison Burton	0	0	0	169
Corey LaJoie	0	1	1	161
Brad Keselowski	0	0	1	153
Cody Ware	0	0	0	109
B.J. McLeod	0	0	0	78
David Ragan	0	0	1	61
Garrett Smithley	0	0	0	28
Greg Biffle	0	0	0	24
Jacques Villeneuve	0	0	0	15
Boris Said	0	0	0	11
Joey Hand	0	0	0	2

NASCAR CUP FASTEST LAPS
Points standing positions, percentage
and total fastest laps:

DRIVER	POS.	PCT.	LAPS
1. Chase Elliott	1	6.9	187
2. William Byron	2	6.5	177
3. Ross Chastain	5	6.4	174
4. Martin Truex Jr	6	6.3	163
5. Ryan Blaney	3	5.5	150
6. Kyle Busch	6	5.2	143
7. Kyle Larson	9	4.8	132
8. Tyler Reddick	15	4.7	127
9. Chase Briscoe	13	4.7	127
10. Alex Bowman	8	3.6	98

LAPS LED

DRIVER	EV	LAPS	LED
William Byron	12	3126	544
Ryan Blaney	12	3142	370
Chase Elliott	12	3313	349
Ross Chastain	12	2974	269
Kyle Busch	12	3035	225
Tyler Reddick	12	3017	206
Chase Briscoe	12	3044	187
Kyle Larson	12	2937	167
Denny Hamlin	12	2845	158
Joey Logano	12	3208	142
Martin Truex, Jr.	12	3190	130
Christopher Bell	12	3156	121
Daniel Suarez	12	3031	120
Brad Keselowski	12	3182	70
Erik Jones	12	3261	47
Ricky Stenhouse, Jr.	12	3054	42

DRIVER EV | AVST | AvFN || Chase Elliott | 12 | 12.7 | 9.3 |
Alex Bowman	12	12.8	12.1
Kyle Busch	12	11.0	12.7
Ryan Blaney	12	8.3	12.9
Kevin Harvick	12	19.7	13.3
Aric Almirola	12	19.5	13.8
Ross Chastain	12	17.7	14.0
Joey Logano	12	10.3	14.3

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER							
EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA	
Orlando City	6	4	2	20	14	15	
Philadelphia	5	1	4	19	15	8	
N.Y. Red Bulls	5	2	3	18	16	8	
CF Montréal	5	3	2	17	20	19	
Cincinnati	5	5	1	16	14	17	
New York City FC	4	3	2	14	19	10	
Atlanta	4	4	2	14	15	14	
Charlotte FC	4	6	1	13	10	13	
Columbus	3	3	4	13	15	11	
D.C. United	4	5	0	12	12	13	
New England	3	5	2	11	16	18	
Toronto FC	3	7	2	11	16	23	
Inter Miami CF	3	6	1	10	9	19	
Chicago	2	4	4	10	7	11	
WESTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA	
Los Angeles FC	7	2	2	23	23	102	
Austin FC	6	2	2	20	22	9	
LA Galaxy	6	3	1	19	11	7	
FC Dallas	5	1	4	19	16	7	
Real Salt Lake	4	3	4	16	10	15	
Nashville	4	3	3	15	11	10	
Colorado	4	4	3	15	13	12	
Minnesota United	4	4	2	14	11	9	
Houston	3	4	3	12	12	13	
Portland	2	3	6	12	11	16	
San Jose	2	5	3	9	16	23	
Sporting KC	2	6	3	9	8	16	
Seattle	2	5	1	7	9	13	
Vancouver	2	6	1	7	7	17	

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Orlando City 1, Toronto FC 0
Colorado 2, Los Angeles FC 0
CF Montréal at Charlotte FC, late
Columbus at New York City FC, late
San Jose at Vancouver, late
N.Y. Red Bulls at Philadelphia, late
Cincinnati at Chicago, late
D.C. United at Miami, late
Nashville at Houston, late
Austin FC at Real Salt Lake, late
Sporting KC at Portland, late
FC Dallas at LA Galaxy, late

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
New England at Atlanta, 1:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle, 4p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S MATCHES
New York City FC at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 7:30p.m.
Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30p.m.
LA Galaxy at Minnesota, 8p.m.
Seattle at Houston, 8:30p.m.

SPORTS



Florida State running back Jashaun Corbin (0) participates in a football drill during Pro Day, on March 29 in Tallahassee, Fla. PHELAN M. EBENHACK/AP

Giants sign Thibodeaux, Neal; RB Corbin stands out

By Pat Leonard
New York Daily News

Giants sign Kayvon Thibodeaux, Evan Neal; RB Jashaun Corbin stands out
Giants first-round picks Kayvon Thibodeaux and Evan Neal both signed their rookie contracts on Saturday after rookie minicamp practice. Their deals are determined by their draft slots.
Thibodeaux gets four years and \$31.3 million fully guaranteed as the No. 5 overall pick. Neal receives four years and \$24.5 million fully guaranteed as the No. 7 overall pick. Both contracts come with a fifth-year team option for 2026.
This is much earlier than the Giants typically sign their first-round picks.
Daniel Jones, Saquon Barkley and Andrew Thomas all signed in July of their respective draft years, and Kadarius Toney signed last June after a holdout.
Thibodeaux and Neal are represented by the same agency, Klutch Sports Group. First-year GM Joe Schoen and the Giants front office, together with Klutch agents Kelton Cren-

shaw and Damarius Bilbo, made sure the Giants’ blue-chip draft picks were locked in early.
This timeline may represent a new normal for the Giants under Schoen.
“It feels great,” Neal said Saturday of being on the field for the Giants. “To go out there and get back in the right tackle stance, I haven’t played right tackle since my sophomore year. So it brought back some pretty good nostalgia. It’s really good. Practicing on an NFL team? It don’t get better than that.”
The news of their agreements was reported by NFL Network while Thibodeaux and Neal both were still on the field taking team pictures, prepared to sign once they walked inside.
Corbin stands out: Giants coach Brian Daboll said undrafted free agent RB Jashaun Corbin (pronounced JAY-shawn) “kind of stood out a little bit” during Friday’s first rookie minicamp practice.
“Athletic, quick twitch, good in individuals,” Daboll said. “The individual drills, a lot of them, you’re almost going out there on pro

days or individual workouts. Some of the drills that we even do out here are some of the drills that we do when we work guys out, so you get a good feel for them. You can compare kind of apples to apples.”
Football Gameplan’s Emory Hunt, a draft guru who also works for CBS Sports HQ, told the Daily News he thinks Corbin “will be RB2 behind Saquon” Barkley this fall.
“He has vision, elusiveness, footwork,” Hunt said. “He can be Daboll’s jet sweep guy.”
The Giants showed how much they valued Corbin when they gave him \$110,000 guaranteed at signing, a significant amount for an undrafted free agent.
The 5-10, 203-pound back suffered a bad 2019 hamstring injury at Texas A&M. He recovered, transferred to Florida State, and led the Seminoles in rushing last fall in his second and final season with them: 887 rush yards (6.2 per carry), seven rushing TDs, 25 catches, 144 receiving yards and a receiving score.

There was nobody quite like Mr. Patriot, Gino Cappelletti

By John Powers
Boston Globe

BOSTON — It was a Friday night in October of 1965 and the mood inside Fenway Park had turned ugly. The Patriots, who’d lost their first four games, were being stifled by the Raiders and their quarterback was catching hell from the first-base grandstand. “Say goodnight, you Sweet Kentucky Babe,” the drunken fan in front of me shouted at Vito Parilli, who at 35 was well beyond being swaddled but not beyond being booed.
There were no catcalls, though, for his favorite target. Gino Cappelletti was beyond reproach that season as he was for nearly all of his 11 years in a Boston uniform. He was the team’s de facto Most Valuable Player, its go-to receiver and its perennial placekicker, the man who paid his way to the franchise’s first training camp in 1960 and played every week thereafter.
Cappelletti performed in five home stadia for four head coaches and suited up with six starting quarterbacks. Nobody else ever wore No. 20 for the Patriots and none offered as much versatility. Cappelletti, a tailback and quarterback in college, was an end, flanker and defensive back in the pros.
The kicking, which he performed in the old toe-first style, he considered a collateral duty. “I don’t consider kickers as players,” said the man who booted 176 field goals and made all but 11 of 353 conversion attempts.
But if it kept him drawing a paycheck in football Cappelletti was happy to do it. He’d sat for two years at the University of Minnesota behind Paul Giel, the two-time Big Ten MVP, and he was a kicker for a coach who didn’t believe in field goals. Cappelletti had to badger Wes Fesler to let him try the 43-yarder into the wind that helped the Gophers beat Iowa.
Even though Cappelletti quarterbacked the 1954



Former New England Patriot Gino Cappelletti outside the Patriot’s Hall of Fame prior to an NFL football training camp in Foxborough, Mass., in 2015. AP

varsity to its best record in five seasons he went unpicked in a year when the NFL Draft went for 30 rounds. So he played semipro in Canada and after a couple of years in the Army (which did draft him) was jettisoned by a couple of CFL clubs and went back to semi-pro, which he found unsatisfying.
So Cappelletti took a job bartending at his brother’s place in Minneapolis and played six-man tag-rush in the city league. That’s how the game likely would have ended for him had he not heard that Patriots coach Lou Saban was talking to former Gophers about playing in the new league.
Cappelletti phoned Saban and wangled a tryout along with 125 other hopefuls. “I knew the mortality rate of quarterbacks at tryout camps,” he said. “So I said I was a defensive back and a placekicker.”
Cappelletti grew up in Keewatin, a town on Minnesota’s Iron Range whose entire populace could have fit inside the Harvard Stadium colonnade. His father spent three decades as an underground miner and Cappelletti himself had been elbow-deep in long enough to know that he didn’t want more of it.
So he set about making himself indispensable as a football player, the ultimate utility knife in spikes. Cappelletti still is the only pro to run and throw for a

2-point conversion, catch and intercept a pass and return a punt and a kickoff, all in the same season.
His receiving career was happenstance. When Jim Colclough was slow to return to the huddle during a passing drill Mike Holovak plugged in Cappelletti and liked what he saw.
For the next seven years Cappelletti started at end and flanker. “I didn’t have burning speed,” he said. “All I could do is get open and catch the ball.”
Despite his career receiving stats — 292 catches for 4,589 yards and 42 touchdowns — Cappelletti’s kicking is what people remembered. His soaring extra points that landed in the Fenway bullpen. The six field goals in Denver’s rare air in 1964. And the four field goals in the 1963 playoff at Buffalo that helped put Boston into its only AFL title game.
When it became clear that Princeton sidewinder Charlie Gogolak would take his job Cappelletti retired before the 1971 season. “I’ve had my day,” he said. “It’s been a good day and now I have to get on with the rest of my life.”
The rest of his life meant coaching the Patriots special teams for three seasons and calling their games on radio for more than three decades, almost all of them alongside Gil Santos, with whom Cappelletti said he was “simpatico.”

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to 4-of-19 (21.1%) shooting from the field in the first quarter while also forcing five turnovers. The Sun continued to stifle the Sparks on defense in the second quarter, rendering their stars ineffective.
Through the first half, at which point the Sun led 49-25, Thomas and Jones had combined for 32 points, 16 rebounds and six assists. Meanwhile, the Sparks’ star duo of Liz Cambage and Nneka Ogumike had only combined for eight points, four rebounds and one assist.
The Sparks trimmed the lead in the third quarter, though, going on a 8-0 run over the last two minutes. The Sun had led by as many as 24 points earlier in the contest but were only up

57-44 entering the final period of play.
After Los Angeles trimmed the lead to nine points with under four minutes left — at which point ones was out of the game with six fouls — DiJonai Carrington scored a layup to start a 10-0 run for the Sun. Carrington and Thomas both scored four points during that span to end any possibility of a Sparks comeback. With less than two minutes to go nearly all of Connecticut’s starters were resting comfortably on the bench and the first win of the season all but secured.

Dominance down low

Los Angeles may have had the tallest player on the floor in the 6-foot-9 Cambage, but it didn’t

matter much down low. Connecticut was clearly the better team in the paint and on the boards.
The Sun outrebounded the Sparks 27-9 in the first half and finished the night with a 45-21 advantage on the glass. That included an astonishing 19 offensive rebounds for the Sun. Connecticut also had the edge in points in the paint, besting Los Angeles, 40-28.

Almost back at full strength

The Sun were without starters Courtney Williams and DeWanna Bonner for the second consecutive game.
Connecticut will be back at full strength soon though. Williams was serving the last game of a two-game suspension and Bonner recently arrived back from

her season overseas. She flew from Istanbul to Boston last night, then drove to Connecticut and was on the bench in street clothes.
Since she just got back, Bonner hasn’t practiced with the team yet. Head coach and general manager Curt Miller said she will undergo medical testing on Monday. Though he plans to work with her on a timeline for her return to play based on whatever she feels comfortable with, the team is hoping Bonner could play against the New York Liberty on Tuesday night.
“So excited to have her back, like you take that first breath,” Miller said before Saturday’s game. “But then you think, ‘Okay, well we haven’t practiced with her.’ So she can play and have not practiced one day with us. That’s the reality that this league has when players return.”

Track

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the 100 and 200 last year [Joseph O’Brien] tore his hamstring [Friday] so he couldn’t compete today but somebody steps right in.”
Terrel Williams (100 hurdles) and Wellington Ventura (400 hurdles) won titles for UConn Saturday. Ventura had a bad accident his freshman year, falling over a hurdle and breaking his elbow but after some time off from the event, he started doing it again last year and won the title, then won it again Saturday in 50.61.
Patricia Mroczkowski, a UConn junior who was the top seed in the high jump, ended up getting second Saturday after a jump-off against Villanova’s Sanaa Barnes, but Mroczkowski had a personal best of 6 feet,

1 ¼ inches.
“In our program, that’s called a championship performance,” Roy said. “You can’t be better than your best.”
Gabrielle Davis was another winner for UConn in the 400 hurdles in 1:00:26, edging out Renee Newton of Georgetown (1:00:32).
“It is pretty emotional, especially with a lot of the seniors and fifth years that are leaving, they’ve been waiting for this and waiting to compete here and have Big East here at home,” Mroczkowski said. “With Coach Roy’s last year, all he wants us is to win together as a team because we combined [programs] three years ago as men and women, so this is exciting for him and I’m glad he could experience it in his last year.”
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Riley

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“One of my goals was to have our kids be judged by their character and their sportsmanship. The coaches bought in and the kids bought in and it changed.”
Schondelmayer came in after Jack Cochran, who was both the football coach and athletic director and who was known for running up scores, prompting the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference to institute a rule (since removed) that penalized football teams for winning by more than 50 points.
She had a different way of seeing things. Growing up in New London, Schondelmayer said she was discriminated against because she was a girl in sports and so the need for equity and fairness was instilled in her at an early age. As a woman of color, she also brings a different perspective to the position.
In her tenure at Bloom-

field, she had to deal with the firestorm that surrounded transgender female runner Terry Miller and the issues with COVID-19 the last two years.
The stress of the job, which encompasses so much more than it did when she first started, is eating at her and so now it’s time to go.
“As a younger athletic director it was a challenge to solve all the problems,” she said. “I wanted to solve every single problem. And you can’t. You kill yourself trying. You’re the shield for all the coaches, battling for your school, your kids. It was always satisfying but it gets heavy and it’s stressful.”
Schondelmayer coached at Hartford Public and Bloomfield and taught physical education before becoming AD. She went to St. Bernard in Montville, where she played softball, then went on to star as a shortstop at Eastern Connecticut State University. Her team won the Division III national

championship in 1986, her freshman year, and she was inducted into the school’s sports hall of fame in 2009.
She remembered encountering discrimination for the first time in fifth grade.
“We’d go to recess and I was the first one picked [to play baseball],” she said. “I was the best athlete. I know I’m good enough to play [Little League]. So we go to tryouts and I’m doing my thing and I’m watching these boys mess up, not make a play, can’t make it to first base with their throw, they can’t field a ground ball, they can’t hit and I can do those things. And I don’t get picked on any teams. There were six teams and I didn’t get picked.”
When she became athletic director at Bloomfield, one of the first things she did was take on the football booster club. She wanted it to benefit all sports. The booster club eventually decided to disband.
“She is not afraid to speak up for what’s right

and what’s right for her kids or her school, whether it’s an unpopular belief or not,” Bulkeley athletic director Diane Callis said.
When Miller, who was at Bulkeley, transferred to Bloomfield, the chorus of voices who didn’t feel that Miller belonged on a girls track team followed and Schondelmayer had to serve as a shield for her coaches and track athletes. Because Miller was getting harassed at track meets, she had to hire another coach.
“As a female athlete, I could see both sides of the story, but as an educator it’s all about inclusion and doing what’s best for your students,” Schondelmayer said. “And Terry was one of my student-athletes and she is a girl. I know that people will find that hard to understand but if you meet Terry - she’s a girl, not acting like a girl so she can go win a track meet.”
Miller graduated in 2020, the year COVID-19 shut down spring high school sports. Bloomfield

had to shut its football season down completely and 7-on-7 football, which some schools played, wasn’t allowed. The town and the state and the CIAC made the decisions and Schondelmayer and the other athletic directors were just the messengers.
“I fielded the complaints from the coaches, the parents, the kids who were heartbroken, the seniors who missed out,” she said. “It was heartbreaking and difficult for those kids. The kids came in, their parents: ‘What can you do?’ ‘There’s nothing I can do.’ It was hard to say that.”
Schondelmayer wants to leave on a good note. Her facilities are updated: the football field, the track, the weight room. The Bloomfield coaches, she feels, are all top notch.
Coach Kevin Moses, whose boys basketball team won a Division IV state title this year, is sad.
“She’s really strong on accountability, she holds all her coaches and athletes accountable for whatever

we do,” said Moses, who is an assistant football coach. “How Tammy is trickles down to the coaches. We strive to be the best we can be at all times. We are examples of her. I look at it like she is the tree and we are the branches.”
“It’s going to be some heavy shoes to fill.”
She will continue to serve on the executive boards of the National Organization of Minority Athletic Directors and the Global Community of Women in High School Sports. She wants to go to Mardi Gras. She wants to go to a softball tournament with her travel team in Utah in October (she still plays a roving shortstop position at age 55 but needs a pinch runner when she gets on base because of a bum knee).
“She’s been an amazing athletic director for her school and her community,” Callis said. “She understands the dynamics of Bloomfield and what is best for that community.”
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NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Liverpool tops Chelsea for FA Cup



Add the FA Cup to the collection. Jürgen Klopp, pictured, has now won every major title for Liverpool. A 6-5 victory over Chelsea on penalties in Saturday's final produced Liverpool's first FA Cup since 2006 and kept it in contention for a quadruple of trophies. Just like in the League Cup final in February, the FA Cup showpiece ended 0-0 through 120 minutes before Liverpool prevailed again. This time, the Reds were helped by Chelsea midfielder Mason Mason's penalty being saved before Konstantinos Tsimikas clinched the shootout win with his first-ever goal for the club. "The small margins are again the difference and I cannot be more proud of my boys," said Klopp, who has emulated Alex Ferguson with Manchester United and become only the second manager to win the European Cup, Premier League, League Cup and FA Cup with the same English club. In two weeks, Liverpool will be hoping to win the Champions League final against Real Madrid. Before then, Klopp has to hope Manchester City slips up in the final two rounds of the Premier League.

Swiatek's win streak reaches Serena



Not since Serena Williams seven years ago has another woman had such a hot streak. Top-ranked Iga Swiatek routed Aryna Sabalenka 6-2, 6-1 for her 27th straight win and reached the Italian Open final on Saturday. Williams won 27 in a row over 2014 and 2015. The all-time longest streak belongs to Martina Navratilova, who put together 74 straight in 1984. "I'm just constantly surprising myself that I can do better and better," Swiatek said. "I feel like I actually can believe now that the sky's the limit. That's the fun part." Aiming to defend her Rome title in Sunday's final, Swiatek will face another player on a run, Ons Jabeur, who beat Daria Kasatkina 6-4, 1-6, 7-5 for her 11th consecutive victory after lifting the Madrid Open trophy last week. In the men's tournament, Stefanos Tsitsipas reached his first Rome final by rallying past Alexander Zverev 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. Tsitsipas' opponent in the final will be top-ranked Novak Djokovic or Casper Ruud, who played late. Seeking to win her fifth straight tournament, Swiatek dominated the eighth-ranked Sabalenka with power, consistency and finesse.

Shooting near Bucks game injures 21

Downtown Milwaukee will be under a limited curfew for the rest of the weekend and a massive watch party scheduled for Sunday has been called off after 21 people were injured in three separate shootings near an entertainment district where thousands gathered for an NBA play-off game. In one of the shootings Friday night, 17 people were hurt when two groups started firing at each other. Three people were hurt in another shooting, and one in the third. All of the gunfire happened blocks from the arena where the Bucks lost to the Celtics in Game 6 of the NBA's Eastern Conference semifinals. All of the victims are expected to survive. "What makes people think they can just have a shootout on a public street or in an entertainment district, whether police are there or not?" Assistant Police Chief Nicole Waldner asked at a Saturday news conference. Mayor Cavalier Johnson said the city imposed a curfew for the downtown area requiring everyone age 20 or younger to be off the street by 11 p.m. for Saturday as well as Sunday — when the Bucks play at Boston in the decisive Game 7. Meanwhile, a Game 7 outdoor watch party that had been planned in the Deer District entertainment area just outside the arena was called off. —Associated Press



Phil Mickelson withdrew Friday from the PGA Championship, electing to extend his hiatus from golf. OISIN KENIRY/GETTY

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

The ins and the outs

Back at Southern Hills as Mickelson withdraws

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

The anticipation had been building the last few weeks for the PGA Championship, just like it was for the Masters. And just like the last major, the hype was more about who played than who had a chance to win. Tiger Woods not only played Augusta National, he made the cut. Phil Mickelson won't even make it to the first tee at Southern Hills. Six days before the opening round on the classic course in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Mickelson decided not to defend his title and extend his three-month hiatus from golf. And to think it was just one year ago when Mickelson celebrated one of the most stunning feats in 161 years of the majors. He won the PGA Championship at Kiawah Island at age 50 to become golf's oldest major champion. The last PGA champion who didn't defend was Woods in 2008 as he recovered from reconstructive surgery on his left knee. Before that it was Ben Hogan in 1949, who was nearly killed some four months earlier when a bus hit his car in west Texas. Mickelson's injuries were more self-inflicted. He kept everyone guessing when he signed up for the PGA Championship on April 25, even if it was a matter of procedure. His manager said Lefty was merely keeping his options open, and then he shut them on Friday. "I personally think it's an unbelievable mental challenge to come back and play after what he's put himself through. I don't think it's as easy as just getting back on the bike and arriv-

ing at a golf tournament and playing, said six-time major champion and CBS analyst Nick Faldo. Mickelson is sure to be a topic one way or another. Alan Shipnuck's unauthorized biography on Mickelson is to be released on Tuesday. His public image took a beating in February when Shipnuck published an excerpt of his book in which Mickelson outlined his involvement with a Saudi-funded rival league. He was dismissive talking about the killing of Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi and Saudi Arabia's human rights record, saying it was worth getting involved if it meant having leverage to change how the PGA Tour operates. He even said he recruited three other players to pay lawyers to write the new league's operating agreement. Top sponsors dropped him, Mickelson released a statement that read more like an explanation than an apology, and he said he "desperately" needed time away. Now it's a matter of when he returns. His absence figures to be glaring, one of several subplots to a major that is sure to provide intrigue even before the first shot is struck. Woods hasn't declared for certain that he will play another major, though he was in Tulsa last week to play — and walk — a practice round, and it would be a surprise if he didn't play. Woods won the PGA Championship at Southern Hills the last time it was there in 2007. It's not exactly the same course. Gil Hanse and Jim Wagner finished a restoration project at Southern Hills geared toward making the course a modern test without losing the charm of its original Perry Maxwell design. Along with bringing back a creek that cuts through the 10th and 17th fairways, the edges of the greens now

funnel shots away from the putting surfaces instead of toward the center, putting a premium on being in the fairway and at the right angle depending on the pin. Woods has cast such a huge shadow on the sport for so long it's easy to overlook the strongest field of the four majors and who might best have a chance of hoisting that 27-pound Wanamaker Trophy. That starts with a pair of Texans who head to the other side of the Red River to chase different versions of the Grand Slam. Masters champion Scottie Scheffler has a long way to go, and while he rarely thinks about anything beyond the next shot, he likely is aware only three players in the last 20 years have won the first two majors of the year. Even so, he has everyone's attention with his four big titles in the last four months that have taken him to No. 1 in the world. "He's setting the bar pretty high right now and he's kind of the guy to chase for all of us," Will Zalatoris said. "What he's doing is borderline Tigeresque. It's pretty cool to see." Southern Hills is hosting its eighth major since 1958 — three U.S. Opens — and the last five champions are in the World Golf Hall of Fame. It wasn't supposed to host the PGA until 2030. This year's championship had been scheduled for former President Donald Trump's course in Bedminster, New Jersey. But four days after the violent Jan. 6 insurrection at the U.S. Capitol as Congress was certifying the presidential election, the PGA of America voted unanimously to move it to Southern Hills. It avoided what could have felt like a circus. And with Mickelson no longer in the field, the PGA Championship avoided one of a different variety.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Splash brothers still making waves

Associated Press

Stephen Curry, Klay Thompson and Draymond Green are cherishing this playoff run a little more given they spent the past two years watching the postseason instead of their familiar position chasing championships. Now, with those experienced faces and a cast of new stars, the Warriors are headed to another Western Conference Finals and need just four more wins to give themselves a title chance again. They will lean on the experience of Curry, Green, Thompson and Kevon Looney having been here so many times already. "It's unbelievable knowing what we've been through these last two years and six of the last eight we have an opportunity to play for the finals," said Curry, who took his team to five straight finals from 2015-19. "I think me, Draymond, Klay, Loon, we've been in this position before. We understand the emotions, the adrenaline, how much you want it, how hard it is. ... Never take it for granted and understand this is what it's all about, and then for us to have another opportunity to get four more wins and play for a trophy, that's special." For Thompson, it means so much given he returned in January from more than 2 ½ years spent recovering from surgeries on his left knee and right Achilles tendon. Golden State grabbed 70 rebounds — 22 by Looney after Curry and Green pushed for him to be a starter again — on the way to eliminating the Grizzlies 110-86 on Friday night and now advances to face either the Suns or Mavericks in a best-of-seven battle for the West. Game 7 of that series is Sunday in Phoenix to determine who's next for the Warriors. Thompson scored 30 points with eight 3-pointers in adding another Game 6 masterpiece to his long list of them. "I have no idea. I have no clue," he said, "I love the moments. I love the pressure. I love playing basketball at the highest level." Fresh faces like Andrew Wiggins and Jordan Poole are playing huge roles during this postseason run. Golden State suddenly also has a raucous home crowd at Chase Center, where the Warriors are 6-0 so far these playoffs. And it feels a little like old Oracle Arena these days. "I think these fans knew what we were up against," Green said. "We've all talked about the home-court advantage and how this isn't Oracle and you have to reestablish that home court, and I think we are doing a good job of it. But our fans were absolutely incredible tonight. It took everything we had to win that game, including the fan support and the noise that was in the arena." This time, the Splash Brothers Curry and Thompson could let loose on their own floor, as their own fans chanted "Whoop that trick." They loved every second of that. Golden State is going on, the Grizzlies are going home to Memphis for good. The Warriors have certainly endured their share of drama and unforeseen stress to get this far.

Golden State contended with two-time reigning MVP Nikola Jokic over a five-game first-round series with the Nuggets, then got past Ja Morant and Memphis in a series full of back-and-forth chatter between the rivals. The Grizzlies eliminated the Warriors in a play-in game last season. First, Gary Payton II went down for the rest of the postseason with a fractured left elbow on a hard foul by Dillon Brooks that led to the Memphis star's one-game suspension for the Flagrant 2 committed when he pounded Payton over the head as he drove for a layup in Game 2. Morant got hurt in Game 3 and accused Poole of re-injuring his troublesome right knee by pulling on it as they fought for a loose ball. Coach Steve Kerr caught COVID-19 and sat out Games 4, 5 and 6 with Mike Brown the acting head coach of two teams at once given he had just been named the new Sacramento Kings' choice last Sunday. "What a heck of a series," Brown said. Green was joined on the postgame podium with son DJ as the do-everything forward shared a story of watching the playoffs from Cabo San Lucas at this time last year. "I used to take it for granted and just think that that's the way it's supposed to be, we're supposed to make the Western Conference Finals," Green said. "The reality is, I still think that but I have a much deeper appreciation for it. It's so hard."

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Celtics vs. Bucks

Where, time, TV: Boston; 3:30 p.m. EDT; ABC.
Bottom line: The Bucks visit the Celtics in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference second round. The Celtics defeated the Bucks 108-95 in the last meeting. Jayson Tatum led the Celtics with 46 points, and Giannis Antetokounmpo led the Bucks with 44 points.

Suns vs. Mavericks

Where, time, TV: Phoenix; 8 p.m. EDT; TNT.
Bottom line: The Suns and Mavericks face off in Game 7 of the Western Conference second round. The Mavericks defeated the Suns 113-86 in the last meeting. Luka Doncic led the Mavericks with 33 points, and Deandre Ayton led the Suns with 21 points..

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	24	8	.750	—	—	8-2	W-5	14-4	10-4
Tampa Bay	20	13	.606	4 ½	—	7-3	W-2	10-7	10-6
Toronto	17	16	.515	7 ½	—	2-8	L-5	10-6	7-10
Baltimore	14	20	.412	11	3 ½	6-4	L-2	9-7	5-13
Boston	12	20	.375	12	4 ½	3-7	W-1	4-9	8-11

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	19	14	.576	—	—	5-5	W-1	12-7	7-7
Chicago	15	16	.484	3	1	7-3	L-2	8-9	7-7
Cleveland	15	16	.484	3	1	6-4	L-2	7-5	8-11
Kansas City	11	19	.367	6 ½	4 ½	4-6	W-1	6-9	5-10
Detroit	11	23	.324	8 ½	6 ½	3-7	W-2	8-13	3-10

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	22	11	.667	—	—	10-0	W-11	9-4	13-7
Los Angeles	22	13	.629	1	—	7-3	L-1	12-7	10-6
Seattle	15	18	.455	7	2	3-7	W-1	9-7	6-11
Oakland	15	20	.420	8	3	5-5	W-1	5-10	10-10
Texas	13	18	.419	8	3	6-4	L-1	6-11	7-7

BOX SCORES

DETROIT 3, BALTIMORE 0

Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	4	0	1	0	0	.268
Mancini dh	3	0	1	0	0	.288
Santander rf	4	0	0	0	0	.232
Urias 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.213
Odor 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.189
Nevin 1b	3	0	1	0	1	.162
McKenna lf	3	0	0	0	1	.227
Bembroom c	2	0	0	0	1	.133
Owings ss	3	0	0	0	1	.147
TOTALS	29	0	4	0	6	
Detroit	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Grossman rf	4	0	0	0	2	.208
Baez ss	4	0	1	0	1	.214
Cabrera dh	3	0	2	0	0	.287
Candelario 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.200
Schoop 2b	3	1	1	0	0	.154
W.Castro lf	2	1	1	2	0	.333
Haase c	3	1	2	1	0	.170
Torkelson 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.158
Hill cf	3	0	0	0	0	.233
TOTALS	28	3	7	3	4	

Baltimore	000 000 000	— 0	4 1
Detroit	010 010 10x	— 3	7 2

E: McKenna (2), Baez (4), Candelario (4).
LOB: Baltimore 4, Detroit 3.
2B: Urias (5), Schoop (4).

HR: Haase (2), off Zimmermann; W.Castro (1), off Zimmermann.

RBI: W.Castro 2(4), Haase (4). SF: W.Castro.

Runners left in scoring position: Balti- more 1(Nevin); Detroit 1(Schoop).

RISP: Baltimore 0for 2; Detroit 0for 2.

GIDP: McKenna, Santander, Mullins, Torkelson, Schoop.

DP: Baltimore 2(Urias, Odor, Nevin; Urias, Odor, Nevin); Detroit 4(Torkel- son, Baez; Schoop, Candelario, Torkel- son; Schoop, Torkelson; Candelario, Schoop, Torkelson).

BALTIMORE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Zimmermn, L, 2-26	7	3	2	1	2	2	2.72
Tate	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.16
Lopez	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.06
DETROIT	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Pineda	1⅔	0	0	0	0	0	3.22
Peralta, W, 1-0	2⅔	0	0	0	2	1	0.59
Foley, H, 3	2	2	0	0	0	2	1.23
Jimenez, H, 3	1	1	0	0	1	3	3.77
Chafin, H, 3	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.57
Soto, S, 5-6	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.48

Umpires: Home, Jeremie Rehak; First, Ryan Mills; Second, Mark Wegner; Third, Quinn Wolcott.

T: 2:29.
A: 28,016(41,083).

LATE FRIDAY: PHILADELPHIA 12 L.A. DODGERS 10 (10)

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Schwarber lf	5	2	1	2	1	.190
Quinn cf	0	1	0	0	0	.300
Bohm 3b	5	0	2	1	0	.213
Harper dh	4	2	3	2	0	.291
Castellanos rf	6	1	2	3	1	.289
Realmuti c	5	0	0	0	1	.252
Hoskins 1b	6	1	1	0	4	.218
Herrera cf-lf	4	2	2	0	1	.298
Camargo 2b	5	1	2	0	1	.247
Stott ss	3	2	1	3	0	.146
TOTALS	43	12	15	9		
Los Angeles	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Betts rf	6	1	2	1	2	.246
Freeman 1b	3	1	1	0	0	.310
T.Turner ss	5	0	1	1	1	.273
Muncy 3b	5	2	1	1	2	.147
J.Turner dh	5	1	2	4	0	.211
Bellinger cf	4	0	0	0	2	.198
Taylor lf	5	3	2	1	1	.263
Lux 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.246
Barnes c	4	2	3	1	0	.287
TOTALS	41	10	12	9		

Philadelphia	020 303 010	3— 1215 0
Los Angeles	005 101 002	1— 1012 2

E: Muncy (3), Barnes (2).
LOB: Philadelphia 10, Los Angeles 9.
2B: Harper 2(13), Herrera (5), Castella- nos (9), Barnes (2), Betts (4), J.Turner (9).

HR: Schwarber (8), off Buehler; Harper (8), off Bickford; Taylor (2), off Gibson; J.Turner (2), off Familia.

RBI: Stott 3(7), Schwarber 2(20), Bohm (15), Harper 2(24), Castellanos 3 (21), Taylor (13), Betts (14), Muncy (12), J.Turner 4(23), Barnes (8), T.Turner (22). SF: Bohm.

Runners left in scoring position: Phil- adelphia 6(Castellanos 2, Hoskins, Schwarber 2, Realmuto); Los Angeles 5 (T.Turner 2, Bellinger, Muncy 2).

RISP: Philadelphia 5for 16; Los Angeles 4for 10.

Runners moved up: Harper, Camargo, Bohm, T.Turner, Lux, Betts. LIDP: Schwarber. GIDP: Betts. DP: Philadel- phia 1(Stott, Hoskins); Los Angeles 1 (Lux, T.Turner, Lux).

PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gibson	3⅔	8	6	6	1	1	4.10
Norwood	1⅔	0	0	0	0	3	6.97
Bellatti, H, 1	⅔	2	1	1	0	1	2.89
Hand, H, 4	⅔	0	0	0	2	1	1.93
Nelson, H, 1	⅔	0	0	0	0	2	3.86
Familia, W, 1-0	1	2	2	2	0	1	3.86
Morales, S, 1-1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0.00
LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Buehler	5	9	5	5	1	3	2.81
Phillips	0	1	3	3	2	0	3.12
Philas, BS, 0-1	1	2	0	0	1	1	3.38
Kahnie	1	0	0	0	2	1	6.75
Bickford	1	1	1	1	0	1	3.60
Kimbrel	1	1	0	0	0	2	1.04
Graterol, L, 0-2	1	1	3	2	1	1	4.05

Vesia pitched to 3batters in the 6th.

Inherited runners-scored: Norwood 2-0, Hand 2-1, Nelson 1-0, Phillips 3-3.

HR: off Graterol (Harper).

HBP: Hand (T.Turner).

Umpires: Home, Paul Emmel; First, Adrian Johnson; Second, Edwin Moscoso; Third, Pat Hoberg. T: 4:18. A: 50,712(56,000).

THIS DATE IN BASEBALL

MAY 15
1918: Washington's Walter Johnson pitched a 1-0, 18-inning victory over Lefty Williams of the Chicago White Sox, who also went the distance.

1919: After 12 scoreless innings, Cincinnati scored 10 runs off Al Mamaux in the 13th to beat the Brooklyn Dodgers 10-0.

1941: Joe DiMaggio began his 56-game hitting streak against Chicago's Eddie Smith, going 1-for-4 with one RBI.

1944: Clyde Shoun of the Reds tossed

LATE FRIDAY:

MILWAUKEE 2, MIAMI 1

Milwaukee	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Wong 2b	4	1	1	1	1	.243
Adames ss	4	0	0	0	3	.208
Yelich lf	4	1	1	0	2	.259
Urias 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.281
Tellez dh	3	0	0	0	1	.239
a-Taylor ph-dh	1	0	1	0	0	.227
Renfrore rf	4	0	1	0	1	.228
Peterson 1b	3	0	0	1	2	.212
Cain cf	4	0	1	0	3	.192
Caratini c	4	0	1	0	0	.257
TOTALS	34	2	6	2	14	
Miami	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Chisholm Jr. 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.283
Aguilar 1b	4	1	1	1	0	.266
Soler lf	4	0	1	0	0	.180
Cooper dh	3	0	1	0	1	.265
Garcia rf	2	0	0	0	1	.200
De La Cruz rf	1	0	0	0	0	.290
Sanchez cf	3	0	0	0	1	.211
Anderson 3b	3	0	1	0	2	.262
Rojas ss	3	0	0	0	1	.196
Stallings c	3	0	1	0	1	.205
TOTALS	30	1	5	1	9	

Milwaukee	100 000 001	— 2	6 0
Miami	001 000 000	— 1	5 1

a-singled for Tellez in the 9th.

E: Anderson (4).
LOB: Milwaukee 7, Miami 2.
2B: Cain (3).

HR: Wong (2), off Lopez; Aguilar (4), off Burnes.

RBI: Wong (11), Peterson (8), Aguilar (15).
CS: Stallings (1).

Runners left in scoring position: Milwaukee 4(Tellez, Caratini 3); Miami 1(Garcia).

RISP: Milwaukee 1for 6; Miami 0for 1.

GIDP: Rojas.
DP: Milwaukee 1(Urias, Wong, Peter- son).

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Burnes	7	5	1	1	0	7	1.77
Williams, W, 2-0	1	0	0	0	0	2	5.25
Hader, S, 13-13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
MIAMI	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lopez	7	3	1	1	0	11	1.05
Okert	1	1	0	0	0	1	2.89
Scott, L, 0-1	0	2	1	1	0	0	4.38
Bender	1	0	0	0	1	2	4.50

Inherited runners-scored: Bender 3-1.

HBP: Scott (Urias).

Umpires: Home, Andy Fletcher; First, Bill Welke; Second, Chris Segal; Third, Dan Merzel.

T: 2:53.
A: 9,110(36,742).

LATE FRIDAY: BOSTON 7, TEXAS 1

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Hernandez cf	2	1	1	0	1	.167
Devers 3b	5	1	1	1	1	.308
Martinez dh	4	2	2	0	1	.306
Bogaerts ss	5	1	2	2	2	.347
Verdugo lf	3	1	1	1	1	.219
a-Dalbec ph-1b	0	0	0	0	1	.146
Story 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.210
Cordero 1b-lf	4	1	1	1	2	.200
Vazquez c	4	0	1	0	1	.217
Bradley Jr. rf	4	0	0	0	0	.189
TOTALS	35	7	10	7	9	
Texas	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Miller lf	3	0	0	0	0	.227
Semien 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.160
Seager ss	3	0	0	0	1	.231
Garcia cf	4	0	0	0	2	.195
Calhoun rf	4	1	3	0	1	.205
Heim c	4	0	0	0	1	.302
Lowe 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.246
Solak dh	3	0	0	0	0	.217
Ibanez 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.203
TOTALS	31	1	4	0	5	

Boston	001 004 200	— 7	10 1
Texas	000 000 100	— 1	4 0

a-struck out for Verdugo in the 7th.

E: Vazquez (2).
LOB: Boston 6, Texas 5.
2B: Verdugo (5), Cordero (2), Martinez (11).

3B: Calhoun (1).

RBI: Devers (16), Verdugo (15), Story (15), Cordero (2), Vazquez (7), Bogaerts (2).

SF: Story.

Runners left in scoring position: Boston 2(Bogaerts 2); Texas 2(Seager, Heim).

RISP: Boston 5for 8; Texas 0for 3.

Runners moved up: Devers.

Vazquez C	4	0	1	1	0	.217
Bradley Jr. rf	4	0	0	0	0	.189
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BASEBALL

COMMENTARY

Why the Yankees are on top

By Bill Madden
Baseball Columnist

They continue to demonstrate the consummate home run or bust offense and have so far shown just marginal improvement in their base-running acumen which last year was among the sloppiest in the game. And yet there can be no mistaking this is a vastly better Yankee team than last season. A team that went into the weekend boasting the best record in baseball, and if you're wondering why, well, there are numerous factors that cannot be denied.

Pitching

Going into the weekend, the Yankees' overall 2.75 team ERA ranked third in baseball, their 2.51 bullpen ERA second. Most impressive, however, has been the uncanny consistency of their starting pitchers. After April 21, when the Yankees were 7-6, Gerrit Cole, Nestor Cortes, Jameson Taillon and Jordan Montgomery all made four starts apiece — 16 in all — and in none of them did they give up more than two earned runs. The lone exception in the rotation was Luis Severino, who gave up one, four, three and three earned runs in his four starts over that span. Equally important is the fact that none of them have missed a start this year.

Health

The Yankees so far have been the most injury-free team in baseball — quite a contrast from the last few seasons when they seemingly were hardly ever with the starting lineup intact. Since the start of the season they've had only one player — reserve outfielder Tim Lincecum — go on the IL (By contrast, the Rays, last year's AL East champs, currently have 10 pitchers alone on the IL) Heck, even Aaron Hicks has stayed healthy (if not productive) all year!

Rizzo's bat

Though he, nor anyone around the Yankees, would ever admit it, Anthony Rizzo was never the same player after he contracted COVID last year. He hit just five homers after returning from the COVID list on Aug. 18. For that reason, the Yankees had reservations about re-signing him, first pursuing Freddie Freeman on the free-agent market and also inquiring about a trade for the A's Matt Olson. The Yankees as a team had just 53 homers from the left side in '21, the 26th fewest in the majors. This year Rizzo has nine alone.

Defense

Cashman didn't do a whole lot of remaking the club this offseason but what he did do — the trade of Gary Sanchez and Gio Urshela to the Twins for Isiah Kiner-Falefa, Josh Donaldson and catcher Ben Rortvedt — was significant. The athletic Kiner-Falefa has provided steady defense at short, allowing the Yankees to move Gleyber Torres back to second where he has proved far more comfortable while slowly regaining the form that made him an All-Star his first two seasons in the majors (three of his five home runs either tied or gave the Yankees the lead).



Josh Donaldson gestures after hitting a single against the Orioles last month. FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

YANKEES NOTES

Josh Donaldson starting to heat up

By Kristie Ackert
New York Daily News

CHICAGO — After hitting two home runs in his first 27 games, Josh Donaldson hit two in two nights. The veteran third baseman got off to a slow start, hitting .215/.342/.344 with a .686 OPS, but has been heating up as the Yankees offense is shifting into high gear. “I still feel like he’s getting there,” Yankees manager Aaron Boone said, “and I feel like that’s kind of been where he’s been for the last couple of weeks. He’s been getting on base. He’s been popping one ball a game that he’s smoking. He’s got the ball in the air a little bit more the last couple of days, obviously hitting the ball out of the ballpark. He had a couple of line drives over (White Sox outfielder A.J.) Pollock’s head last night, too.

“So I think [he’s] starting to get the ball on a line and in the air a little bit more consistently. But the at-bat quality, he’s been kind of grinding that way the last few weeks, where he’s getting that hit or getting that walk each and every day and now he started following [with] some damage.” Donaldson has had multiple hits in each of his last two games after having just one in the previous 27. He’s driven in six RBI in the last two games and had seven in the 27 before that.

Same old Bombers: While the Yankees have been preaching diversity in their lineup and offense, they’ve kind of found their way back to being the same old Bombers. They went into Saturday night’s game against the White Sox at Guaranteed Rate Field leading the majors with 48 home runs. They have hit 11

homers in their last four games.

While Boone has been quick to point out that they are getting big walks and doubles, he admits the long ball is an important part of the Yankees’ offense.

“It is an important part of the game,” Boone said. “And we certainly have guys that can get the ball out of the ballpark. ... One of the exciting things early on in the season, as we’ve talked a lot about, is the amount of ways we’ve been able to win ball games; low scoring, defense, base running, pitching and hitting the ball out of the ballpark. The fact that we’ve really swung well the last couple of nights and hit the ball out of the ballpark. Hopefully, it just continues to give us confidence that we can win in a lot of different ways.”

Aaron Judge leads the majors with 12 homers, Giancarlo Stanton has 10.

Yankees

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when I step into the box.”

Judge is the Yankee everybody wants to watch, and not just Yankees fans.

Derek Jeter was poise, excellence, grace and winning. But ballparks didn’t come to a stop when Jeter stepped to the plate. They do for Aaron Judge.

They did the other night when he hit that three-run, walk-off bomb to beat the Blue Jays in the bottom of the ninth. We are being reminded, over last season and especially this one, why Judge matters to the Yankees and their fans as much as he does.

Remember that old marketing campaign the Yankees had? At any moment a great moment? That’s Judge right now.

Stanton has been just as hot as Judge over the past couple of

weeks, no doubt. He and Judge are once again combining to be the best front line in baseball, Stanton at 6-foot-6 and Judge at 6-7.

But Stanton will never be embraced here the way Judge is, for as long as Judge is here. Nothing against Stanton. He has handled himself in New York about as well as you can, even in his hard times: with the fans and when he was injured.

But Yankees fans look at Judge as one of their own, and always will. Maybe some of them are already wondering if Judge would already have his new, long-term contract extension if the Yankees weren’t paying crazy money to Stanton.

No matter. It is Judge who is the most popular Yankee, by far. It is Judge who is the face of the franchise. It is Judge who placed a huge bet on himself, right before opening day, by turning down a

seven-year, \$213 million extension.

By the end of this season, if Judge stays healthy, that money might look like a bargain price.

Stanton has done his part to carry the Yankees lately every bit as much as Judge has. In that 15-7 victory over the White Sox on Thursday night, Judge hit another homer and Stanton hit two.

But when the Yankees were scoring seven runs in the eighth after two were out, maybe the most important moment was No. 99 not just beating out an infield hit to the shortstop side of second base but plating two runs by the time the play was over.

When that game was over, here is what Judge said: “It speaks volumes to the type of guys we have in this clubhouse.

“It doesn’t matter if we’re down, it doesn’t matter if we’re up. We want to win.”

RED SOX NOTES

Reliever Crawford sent to Triple A

By Julian McWilliams
Boston Globe

ARLINGTON, Texas — Kutter Crawford’s first real stint in the majors didn’t go as planned. The Red Sox activated Rich Hill off the COVID-related injured list prior to Saturday’s game against the Rangers and optioned Crawford to Triple A Worcester.

“It wasn’t easy to get him innings,” manager Alex Cora said. “And, obviously, you see the games that we have played all season. They have been close games. I do believe for now and the future it was the best move.”

The Red Sox were encouraged by Crawford’s stuff coming out of spring training and their goal was to use him in multiple innings of relief. But Crawford struggled, posting an 8.44 ERA in 10 ⅔ innings of work. Crawford had command issues, as well, walking eight batters. In an April 18 appearance against the Twins, Crawford walked five.

“I think out of character were the walks,” Cora said. “This kid has been a strike thrower his whole career. That’s what everyone was talking about in spring training.”

The move allows Crawford to get reps in Triple A which the Sox believe is most important to his development.

“Getting an opportunity to get regular reps is important,” said Ben Crockett, the team’s vice president of player development. “We are still continuing to develop him. And I think giving opportunity to get stretched out and get a regular opportunity to throw all of his pitches and hone in on the strike zone [is important].”

Kevin Millar in the booth: Kevin Millar, a member of the Red Sox’ 2004 World Series championship team, is in the NESN broadcast booth as the color analyst for the series, joining Dave O’Brien. Millar hosts Intentional Talk on MLB Network, but acknowledged the broadcast booth is a different formula.

“Dave O’Brien does such a great job,” Millar said. “So you need somebody good like that to help you because it’s still nerve-racking to know the process and you’re doing some reads. You’re jumping in and out and want to not tell stories with two outs. I’ll start talking.”

Alex Verdugo sits with foot contusion: Alex Verdugo (right foot contusion) was out of the lineup after fouling a ball off his foot in Friday’s contest. Verdugo tested the foot Saturday, sprinting once on the field, but ultimately the team decided the best decision would be for him to sit. Franchy Cordero got the start in left field in place of Verdugo and Bobby Dalbec started at first. ... The Sox will have a bullpen game Sunday. ... Worcester Red Sox outfielder Jaylin Davis was designated for assignment.

METS

Ex-Mets reliever a new pitcher with Mariners

By Tim Healey
Newsday

NEW YORK — Seventeen months after he was cut loose by the Mets, Paul Sewald’s life has changed in a bunch of big ways — all for the better.

He and his wife, Molly, became parents to their daughter, Chloe, late last season. He has emerged as an excellent late-inning reliever for a Mariners team that nearly made the playoffs in 2021 and expects to compete for a spot again in 2022. And he doesn’t have to think much these days about his professional Plan B, which a little over a year ago was increasingly on the mental front-burner in case stuff didn’t go well after he signed a minor-league deal with Seattle.

But it did go well — incredibly, successfully, improbably well. Building a baseball facility in his native Las Vegas, a burgeoning

baseball hotbed, can wait.

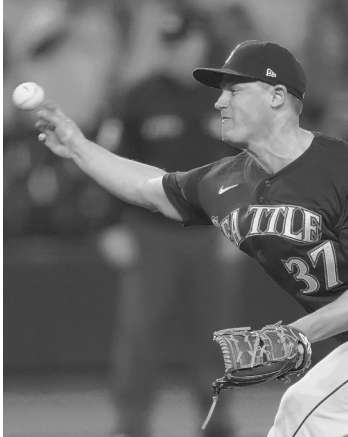
“We have enough baseball players in town that I think we could really make that work,” he said Saturday afternoon in the visitors’ dugout at Citi Field. “We’ve talked about that for years, and always thought post-baseball that’s what I would do. But we’re going to put that off obviously for a little bit.”

Sewald came back to Queens this weekend as his new self and provided his old club a glimpse of what they missed out on — and gave up on. And it felt damn good.

After he retired all four of his batters Friday night, helping the Mariners to a 2-1 win, Sewald had a 3.11 ERA in 72 games with his new team.

With his old team, for reference, he had a 5.50 ERA in 125 games.

“It was more fun to get booed as a visiting player than a home player here. So that was good,” he said of his return. “It was



Mariners closing pitcher Paul Sewald throws against the Phillies during the ninth inning last week. TED S. WARREN/AP

emotional. Obviously when we got the schedule last year, I knew we were coming here, so I’ve been obviously waiting to come back.”

The Mets never anticipated Sewald blossoming into a high-leverage bullpen arm — the kind of player they could use another one of right now, actually — when they chose not to tender him a contract following the 2020 season, making Sewald a free agent.

LATE FRIDAY

Stanton, Judge homer again as Yankees win

Associated Press

Giancarlo Stanton homered in his third consecutive game, Aaron Judge went deep for the second time in two nights and the New York Yankees beat the Chicago White Sox 10-4 on Friday night.

After connecting twice and driving in a career-high six runs in Thursday’s 15-7 win, Stanton smacked a two-run drive Friday in the first inning against Vince Velasquez (2-3). That propelled the Yankees to their 19th win in 22 games.

Judge made it 6-0 when he hit a solo drive in the fourth for his major league-leading 12th home run. Josh Donaldson homered and drove in three runs, and Joey Gallo also went deep.

Gerrit Cole (3-0) lasted 6 ⅓ innings, allowing three runs and six hits. The right-hander struck out nine and walked one, helping New York improve to a major

league-best 24-8.

The White Sox lost for the third time in four games. The reigning AL Central champions have been outscored 41-21 in that span by Cleveland and New York.

Gavin Sheets homered, and Luis Robert had two hits and scored twice. Velasquez got tagged for seven runs and eight hits in five innings.

Red Sox 7, Rangers 1: At Arlington, Texas, Nick Pivetta allowed a run and three hits in a season-long seven innings to win for the first time since August and Boston had a four-run sixth inning to win at Texas.

J.D. Martinez began Boston’s big inning by lining a single to left field that skipped at Brad Miller’s feet. The hit extended Martinez’s hitting streak to 14 games and his on-base streak to 29 games to last September, both the longest active streaks in the major leagues.

WEATHER

SUNDAY

Early clouds and fog giving way to some afternoon sunshine, chance for a shower. Southwest wind around 5 mph.

HIGH 82°
LOW 63°

MONDAY

Mixed clouds and sunshine, showers and thunderstorms are possible in the afternoon and the evening.

HIGH 83°
LOW 56°

TUESDAY

Partly sunny, breezy, cooler and much less humid.

HIGH 72°
LOW 50°

WEDNESDAY

Mostly sunny and delightful.

HIGH 71°
LOW 47°

THURSDAY

Partly sunny and mild.

HIGH 74°
LOW 54°

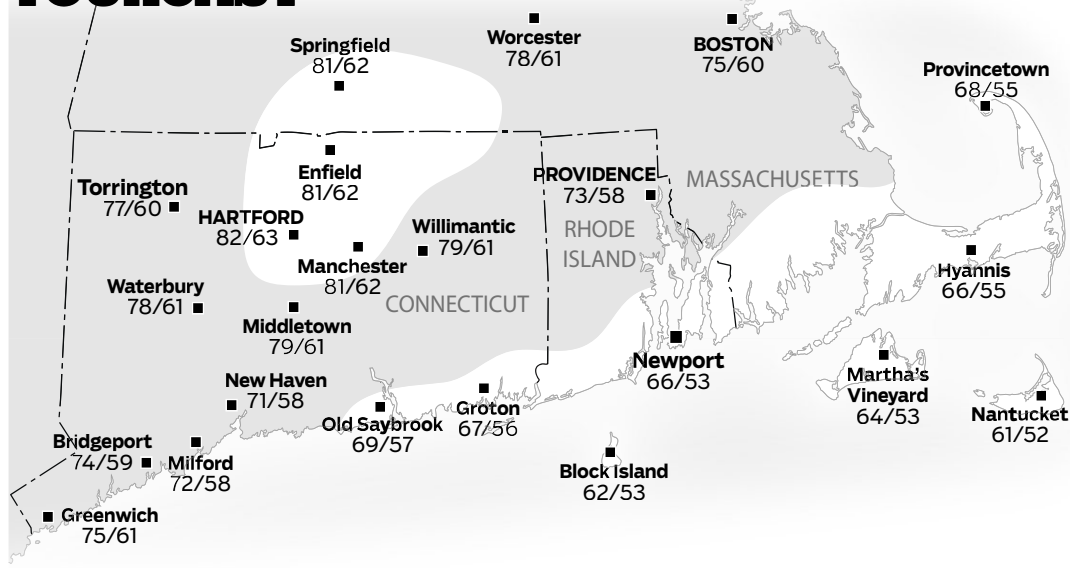
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YOURCAST

Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



OUTLOOK

A trough of low pressure in the region on Sunday will cause morning clouds with the chance for a shower, then there will be a mixture of clouds and sunshine in the afternoon with another chance for a shower. Most of the day should be dry and the showers scattered. Temperatures inland will be in the upper 70s to the low 80s; perhaps in the mid-80s in places if there is enough sunshine. Coastal areas will range from the mid-60s to the mid-70s. A cold front moving in late Monday should cause a round of showers and thunderstorms. Strong winds and some hail will be possible.

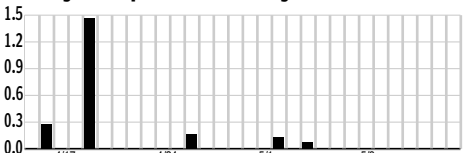
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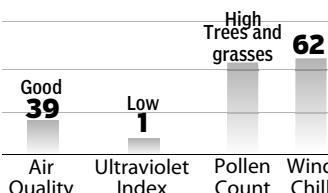
Precipitation In Inches	Total Normal
Yesterday (by 7 p.m.)	0.00 0.11
Month to date	0.20 1.67
Total this year	14.90 15.77

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

30-day Precipitation History In Inches



Air Quality Forecast For Today



Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	9:21 a.m.	3:40 a.m.	60°
Saybrook Jetty	10:32 a.m.	3:36 p.m.	57°
Connecticut River at Portland	12:45 a.m.	4:33 a.m.	57°
Madison	1:15 p.m.	8:15 p.m.	57°
New Haven	11:17 a.m.	5:08 a.m.	55°
Stamford	11:21 a.m.	5:22 a.m.	55°

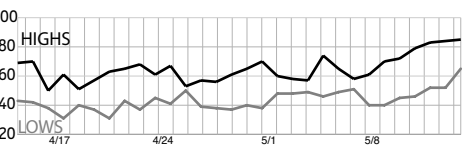
River Stage at Hartford: 3.53 feet at 4:30 p.m.

Boating Weather	L.I. Sound W AM Fog	L.I. Sound E AM Fog	B.I. Sound Shower/Fog
Wind	S, 5	S, 5-10	SW, 5-10
Seas	1 ft.	2 ft.	3-4 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Saturday	85 at 1:23 p.m.	65 at 5:09 a.m.
Normal for date	71	48
Record for date	88 in 1907	32 in 1987
A year ago	77	39
Range this year	85	-2

Heating Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For July 1 - May 14	5287	5768	5353

30-day Temperature History



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	30.18 at 12 a.m.	29.96 at 6 p.m.
Dew point	65° at 1 a.m.	61° at 11 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND

Bangor	57 50 SH
Burlington	77 61 SH
Caribou	54 48 C
Concord	72 55 SH
Montpelier	74 53 SH
Mt. Wash.	51 44 SH
Portland	60 52 SH
Woods Hole	63 53 C

NATION

Albany	79 60 SH
Albuquerque	92 62 PC
Atlantic City	76 62 C

Baltimore	80 62 C
Bismarck	71 39 PC
Boise	82 55 PC
Buffalo	75 58 PC
Charleston	87 68 PC
Cincinnati	83 58 PC
Cleveland	81 57 PC
Indianapolis	83 56 PC
Jacksonville	88 66 PC
Las Vegas	101 76 S
Miami Beach	84 75 PC
Milwaukee	66 48 C

Nashville	88 65 PC
New Orleans	88 71 PC
New York	74 65 C
Oklahoma City	90 63 PC
Omaha	72 52 C
Orlando	92 68 PC
Pittsburgh	82 59 PC
Raleigh	85 64 PC
St. Louis	79 55 SH
Salt Lake City	85 60 PC
San Antonio	100 73 PC
San Diego	71 60 PC

San Juan	88 76 PC
Tucson	105 67 S

WORLD

Amsterdam	77 52 S
Athens	82 61 S
Bangkok	95 84 SH
Barbados	86 78 C
Beijing	81 52 S
Beirut	73 64 PC
Berlin	72 48 S
Bermuda	77 71 SH
Budapest	82 57 S
Buenos Aires	63 45 C
Cairo	89 84 S
Cancun	85 72 S
Dubai	93 75 PC
Dublin	61 50 C
Edinburgh	63 50 C
Helsinki	59 37 PC
Hong Kong	75 66 SH
Istanbul	75 57 C
Jerusalem	73 57 S
Johannesburg	70 46 SH
Kingston	87 76 PC
Lisbon	70 61 SH
London	72 59 C
Madrid	79 57 S
Mexico City	84 53 PC
Milan	81 61 R
Montreal	68 59 SH
Moscow	61 48 R
Nassau	84 68 T
New Delhi	113 86 PC
Paris	86 61 SH
Prague	75 50 S
Rio de Janeiro	88 66 T
Rome	79 59 C
Seoul	73 54 S
Singapore	93 73 T
Stockholm	60 38 PC
Sydney	79 59 SH
Tel Aviv	75 62 PC
Tokyo	72 57 C
Toronto	79 59 PC
Vancouver	55 52 R
Warsaw	64 45 S

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LOCAL SCOREBOARD

FRIDAY'S LATE HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

BASEBALL

CCC-South
PLAINVILLE 6, BRISTOL EASTERN 2
P 303-000-0—6-7-1
BE 000-000-2—2-6-4
WP: Brennan Stauble. **LP:** Anthony Nocera. **Rec.:** P—4-12; BE—5-9.
CCC-East
ENFIELD 8, EAST HARTFORD 1
E 000-020-0—8-8-0
EH 100-000-0—1-4-0
WP: Bryce DiPiero. **LP:** Xavier Quiles. **Rec.:** E—7-7; EH—3-12. **Note:** DiPiero had 13 strikeouts. Jayden Maynard was 2-for-4 with 2 doubles, 3 RBI. Cody Segarra had a double, RBI for East Hartford.
NVL
ST. PAUL 7, TORRINGTON 1
SP 001-114-0—7-10-1
T 000-100-0—1-4-2
WP: Brendan Foley. **LP:** Tyler Semich. **Rec.:** SP—19-0; T—12-6. **Note:** Devin Kulas was 3-for-4 with 2 doubles, 2 RBI, Ryan Daniels was 2-for-4 with a double, 2 RBI and Cal Chance was 2-for-3 with an RBI.
Others
ROCKVILLE 5, EAST HAMPTON 4
R 100-030-1—5-7-1
EH 002-020-0—4-4-1
WP: Joe Stawski. **LP:** James Quinn. **HR:** R—Steven Kozak. **Rec.:** R—9-8; EH—7-9.

SOFTBALL

Others
EAST WINDSOR/SMSA 10, MLC 2 (6)
M 000-011-2
EWS (10)00-00x—10
WP: Abby Lee. **LP:** Ari Hussain. **Rec.:** EWS—9-7; M—6-7. **Note:** Lee had 14 strikeouts and Ryleigh Wollenberg had a 2-run double. Karina Cutts was 2-for-3 for MLC.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

CCC-Inter
SOUTHINGTON 3, EAST HARTFORD 0 (25-14, 25-13, 25-13)
S: Ben Roper, 25 assists, 2 kills, 2 digs, Matt Morgan, 8 kills, 5 digs, Anthony Cannatelli, 6 digs. **Rec.:** S—13-3; EH—0-13. **Note:** Southington head coach Lou Gianacopolos earned his 300th career win.
BOYS TRACK & FIELD
Others
RUNNIN' RAMS INVITATIONAL (OLD SAYBROOK HS)
Team **results:** 1. Coginchau, 91.5; 2. Grismold, 61; 3. Plainville, 56.5; 4. Old Lyme, 47; 5. Portland, 43; T-6. Westbrook and Windham, 40; 8. Waterford, 39; 9. Notre Dame-West Haven, 34.5; 10. Cromwell, 32; 11. Canton, 31; 12. Hale-Ray, 29; T-13. Ledyard and Lyman Memorial, 28; T-15. Old Saybrook and Montville, 20; T-17. New London and Thomaston, 11; 19. Suffield, 9; 20. East Hampton, 6.5; T-21. Frontier (Mass.) and North Branford, 6; T-23. Plainfield and Haddam-Killingworth, 5; 25. Morgan, 2.

GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

Others
RUNNIN' RAMS INVITATIONAL (OLD SAYBROOK HS)
Team **results:** 1. Old Saybrook, 84; 2. East Hampton, 64.5; 3. Ledyard, 57.5; 4. Frontier (Mass.), 52.5; 5. Waterford, 51; 6. Coginchau, 47; 7. Canton, 41; 8. Thomaston, 36; 9. Lyman Memorial, 35; 10. New London, 32; T-11. Montville and SHA, 27; 13. Plainville, 26; 14. Portland, 24; 15. Haddam-Killingworth, 17; 16. Westbrook, 15; 17. Windham, 13; T-18. Old Lyme and Grismold, 12; 20. Valley Regional, 9; 21. Cromwell, 8; 22. Morgan, 5; 23. Plainfield, 4.

BOYS TENNIS

CCC-East
TOLLAND 6, MANCHESTER 1

EAST CATHOLIC 7, RHAM 0

GIRLS TENNIS

CCC-North
NEW BRITAIN 7, BLOOMFIELD 0
CCC-East
EAST CATHOLIC 6, RHAM 1
CCC-Inter
FARMINGTON 6, BERLIN 1
SCC
GUILFORD 5, MERCY 2
SHEEHAN 7, LYMAN HALL 0

SATURDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

BASEBALL

CCC-West
CONARD 4, AVON 1
Shoreline
OLD SAYBROOK 5, PORTLAND 1
SCC
XAVIER 8, SHEEHAN 7
ECC
LEDYARD 4, BACON ACADEMY 3
BA 200-000-1—3-10-1
L 012-010-x—4-6-0
WP: Zion Fraser. **LP:** Josh Ambrose. **HR:** L—Braydon Huestner. **Rec.:** L—7-10; BA—15-2. **Note:** Chris Lusignan and Jack Novak each had an RBI double for Bacon.
PLAINFIELD 13, WINDHAM 3
Others
PLAINVILLE 4, SOMERS 0
WHITNEY TECH 4, WESTBROOK 2
EAST LYME 3, MORGAN 1
VALLEY REGIONAL 7, WOODSTOCK ACADEMY 5

SOFTBALL

CCC-South
BRISTOL CENTRAL 8, MIDDLETOWN 0
Shoreline
HALE-RAY 20, WESTBROOK/PORTLAND 1
VALLEY REGIONAL 6, EAST HAMPTON 1
ECC
PLAINFIELD 10, WINDHAM 2
Others
E.O. SMITH 1, ROCKVILLE 0
R 000-000-0—0-3-0
EOS 000-000-1—1-4-0
WP: Ashley Lewis. **LP:** Alexis Real. **HR:** EOS—Rachel Morales. **Rec.:** EOS—7-7; R—9-5. **Note:** Morales had 2 hits, including a walk-off inside-the-park home run. Lewis struck out 12 in the 4-hit shutout.
POMPERAUG 12, GRANBY 4
WATERFORD 17, WINDSOR 5

BOYS LACROSSE

CCC-Inter
SOUTH WINDSOR 8, LEWIS MILLS 5
SCC
SHEEHAN 12, FORAN 6
Others
STONINGTON 18, OLD LYME 14
SIMSURY 19, XAVIER 11
NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 18, BACON ACADEMY 2
BRISTOL CO-OP 18, WOLCOTT 5
GUILFORD 7, AVON 6
GLASTONBURY 19, NEW FAIRFIELD 5
BERLIN 9, HAMDEN 3
HAND 16, NEWTOWN 3
FARMINGTON 15, NFA 6
OLD SAYBROOK 14, LEDYARD/GRISWOLD 4
WATERFORD 6, HALL 5

GIRLS LACROSSE

Others
SOUTH WINDSOR 13, TRUMBULL 9
Goals: SW—Maliya Haddock (9), Kayden Burke (2), Hailey Deptola (2); T—Sam Crosby (3), Katie Coppola (2), Lindsay Bull (2), Ashley Engen, Lyndsay Guzzetta. **Saves:** SW—Clara Styles, 9; T—Maddie Rondan, 9. **Rec.:** SW—10-1; T—4-11.
CANTON 13, EAST CATHOLIC 9
OLD SAYBROOK 13, LEDYARD 7
ST. PAUL 11, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 9
LAURLTON HALL 11, MORGAN 6
SOUTHINGTON 14, MCMAHON 3
NEWTOWN 17, GLASTONBURY 8
SIMSURY 9, POMPERAUG 3

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Others
SOUTH WINDSOR 3, BROOKFIELD 2

BOYS TENNIS

SCC
NOTRE DAME-WEST HAVEN 7, LYMAN HALL 0
Others
OLD LYME 5, WATERFORD 2

GIRLS TENNIS

CCC-Inter
SOUTHINGTON 6, NEW BRITAIN 1
Shoreline
CROMWELL 6-6, NORTH BRANFORD 1-1
SCC
SHEEHAN 5, WEST HAVEN 2
Others
OLD LYME 5, WATERFORD 2

SUNDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

NCCC: SMSA at East Windsor, 10 a.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Shoreline: Westbrook at Old Lyme, 1 p.m.

SCC: Lauralton Hall at Hand, 1 p.m.

MONDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

ALL GAMES AT 3:45 P.M. UNLESS NOTED

BASEBALL

CCC-North: New Britain at Newington
CCC-East: Maloney at South Windsor; East Catholic at Enfield
CCC-West: Simsbury at Avon, 4:30 p.m.
CCC-Inter: Lewis Mills at Manchester; RHAM at Bristol Central; Tolland at Hartford Public/HMTCA; Rocky Hill at E.O. Smith; Farmington at East Hartford; Platt at Wethersfield, 4 p.m.; Glastonbury at Berlin, 6 p.m.; Conard at Middletown, 6 p.m.; Hall at Plainville, 6:30 p.m.; Windsor at Southington, 6:30 p.m.; Bloomfield co-op at Bristol Eastern, 6:30 p.m.
NCCC: Stafford at SMSA, 3:30 p.m.; Rockville at Ellington; Suffield at East Granby, 4 p.m.; Granby at Bolton, 4 p.m.; Coventry at Windsor Locks, 4 p.m.; Somers at Canton, 4:15 p.m.
Shoreline: East Hampton at Valley Regional, 4 p.m.; Cromwell at Haddam-Killingworth, 4 p.m.; North Branford at Westbrook, 4 p.m.; Hale-Ray at Coginchau, 4 p.m.
CTC: Grasso Tech at Prince Tech; Norwich Tech at Goodwin Tech; Ellis Tech at Vinal Tech; Wilcox Tech at Bullard-Havens; Windham Tech at Cheney Tech
CRAL: Innovation at Civic Leadership, 3:30 p.m.; Capital Prep at University/Classical; Parish Hill at Weaver
SCC: Cheshire at West Haven; Sheehan at Hand; Lyman Hall at Fairfield Prep, 4 p.m.; Xavier at Amity, 7 p.m.
NVL: Watertown at St. Paul, 4 p.m.
Others: Old Lyme at Fitch, 6:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

CCC-South: Bristol Eastern at Lewis Mills
CCC-West: Hall at Southington, 5:30 p.m.
CCC-Inter: Rocky Hill at Avon; East Catholic at Bloomfield; Platt at RHAM; Bristol Central at South Windsor; Northwest Catholic at Tolland; Plainville at Hartford Public; Windsor at E.O. Smith; Wethersfield at Glastonbury; Manchester at Farmington, 4 p.m.; New Britain at Conard, 4:15 p.m.; Newington at Maloney, 4:15 p.m.; Middletown at Simsbury, 6 p.m.; Enfield at Berlin, 7 p.m.
NCCC: East Granby at Suffield; Stafford at Somers, 4 p.m.; Bolton at Granby, 4 p.m.; East Windsor/SMSA at Canton, 4 p.m.; Ellington at Rockville, 4:30 p.m.
Shoreline: Coginchau at North Bran-

ford, 4 p.m.; Old Saybrook at East Hampton, 4 p.m.

CTC: Goodwin Tech at Norwich Tech, 3 p.m.; Cheney Tech at Windham Tech; Vinal Tech at Ellis Tech; Bullard-Havens at Wilcox Tech; Prince Tech at Grasso Tech, 4 p.m.

CRAL: Innovation at Civic Leadership/Aerospace, 3:30 p.m.; Parish Hill at Weaver

SCC: Hand at Hillhouse; Lyman Hall at Shelton; Sheehan at SHA, 4:30 p.m.; Cheshire at North Haven, 7 p.m.; Mercy at Amity, 7 p.m.

ECC: Bacon Academy at Lyman Memorial, 4 p.m.

NVL: St. Paul at Watertown, 4:30 p.m.

Others: Bulkeley at MLC, 3:30 p.m.; HMTCA at University/Classical; Haddam-Killingworth at East Lyme, 4 p.m.; Montville at Old Lyme, 4 p.m.; Griswold at Hale-Ray, 4 p.m.; Valley Regional at Windsor Locks, 4:30 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

CCC-North: Northwest Catholic at Rocky Hill, 4 p.m.; Newington at Berlin, 6 p.m.
CCC-Central: Glastonbury at Conard, 4 p.m.; Avon at East Catholic, 4 p.m.; Hall at Southington, 6:30 p.m.
CCC-South: Windsor at Maloney/Platt, 4 p.m.; Tolland at Lewis Mills, 4 p.m.; Enfield at Wethersfield, 5 p.m.; E.O. Smith at Bristol co-op, 6:15 p.m.

Shoreline: Old Lyme at Cromwell, 4 p.m.

SCC: Law at Lyman Hall, 5:30 p.m.; Fairfield Prep at Avon, 6 p.m.; Sheehan at West Haven, 6:30 p.m.

NVL: St. Paul at Holy Cross, 6 p.m.

Others: Capital Prep at Wolcott, 4 p.m.; Vinal Tech/Goodwin Tech at Middletown, 6 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

CCC-North: Farmington at Hall, 4 p.m.; Glastonbury at Avon, 4 p.m.
CCC-Central: Northwest Catholic at Newington, 3:30 p.m.
CCC-South: Middletown at Enfield, 4 p.m.
NCCC: Suffield at Somers, 4 p.m.; Ellington at Rockville, 6:30 p.m.
Shoreline: Cromwell at Old Lyme

SCC: Sheehan at SHA, 4 p.m.; Lyman Hall at North Haven, 7 p.m.

Others: Mercy at Haddam-Killingworth

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

CCC-East: South Windsor at Glastonbury, 5 p.m.
CCC-West: Conard at Newington, 5 p.m.; Southington at Farmington, 6 p.m.
CCC-Inter: Maloney at Wethersfield, 5 p.m.; New Britain at East Hartford, 5 p.m.; Enfield at Hall, 6 p.m.

Others: Bulkeley/SMSA at Putnam, 4 p.m.; Lewis Mills at Wolcott Tech, 5:30 p.m.; Xavier at Masuk, 5:30 p.m.; Oxford at Hand, 5:30 p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

CCC-East: E.O. Smith at Enfield; Tolland at RHAM; Manchester at East Catholic; East Hartford at South Windsor, 5 p.m.
CCC-West: Glastonbury at Avon, 3:30 p.m.; Conard at Northwest Catholic; Hall at Southington; Simsbury at Farmington
NCCC: Coventry at Suffield; Windsor Locks at Bolton; East Granby at Granby
Shoreline: Cromwell at Old Lyme; Westbrook at Morgan

SCC: Cheshire at Guilford; Amity at Hand; Lyman Hall at Law; Career at Mercy

ECC: Windham/Windham Tech at Fitch

NVL: St. Paul at Watertown, 4:30 p.m.

Others: East Hampton at Wilcox Tech, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY'S LATE COLLEGE RESULTS

BASEBALL

XAVIER 7, UCONN 2

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

NCAA Div. I **Tourney—First Round**
JAMES MADISON 14, UCONN 7

SATURDAY'S COLLEGE RESULTS

BASEBALL

UCONN 11, XAVIER 3
HARTFORD 9, UMASS LOWELL 6
BRYANT 8, CENTRAL 0
YALE 1-6, HARVARD 0-5
QUINNIPAC 16, FAIRFIELD 13
Little East **Tourney—Final**
EASTERN 16, UMASS-DARTMOUTH 1

SOFTBALL

Big East **Tourney—Final**
VILLANOVA 3, UCONN 0
NCAA Div. III **Tourney—Regional** (Union, N.J.)
KEAN 3, EASTERN 2

MEN'S LACROSSE

NCAA Div. III **Tourney—Second Round** (Newport News, Va.)
WESLEYAN 19, RENSSELAER 14
NCAA Div. I **Tourney—First Round**
YALE 18, ST. JOSEPH'S (PA.) 16

SUNDAY'S COLLEGE SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

Xavier at UConn, noon
UMass Lowell at Hartford, noon
Harvard at Yale, noon
Central at Bryant, 1 p.m.

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A Thai wall hanging, on display since 1965 in the house built by Ted Anthony's parents, is surrounded by items Anthony and his wife acquired during their own travels. **TED ANTHONY/APPHOTOS**

Blending past and present

When you live in a home passed down from family, design can be challenging but ultimately rewarding

By Ted Anthony
Associated Press

Should the hanging from Thailand stay on the living-room wall where it has lived since I was born? Should we lay out the family room as it was when I was 8, when I was 17 or in a completely new configuration? Should we leave my mother's spice rack on the north wall of the kitchen? What about the spices?

When you live in a house passed down over generations, deep-time design opportunities lurk around every corner. There are so many ways to blend past and present. And the weight of history can rise up and knock you down at the most unexpected moments.

In 2007, we moved into the midcentury modern house that my parents built in 1965 — and that I came home to as a day-old infant in the spring of 1968. It was a split level, and it showed. Upstairs, my mother's Scandinavian-design sensibilities ruled, with clean lines and blond wood everywhere. Downstairs, my father's purview, was cluttered with books and framed stamps and record

albums and musical instruments.

When my parents left, they moved to a retirement community with some clothes, some furniture, some files, a television and little else. Behind they left 42 years of life's possessions — things accumulated locally, things gathered during extensive international travels, things we were overjoyed they saved, things everyone agreed should have been thrown out.

It was up to us to add their distinctiveness to our own. But how?

My wife, the one with the finely honed sensibilities, recognized in her kindness that what for her was an act of design was, for me, an encroachment upon good memories.

It probably didn't help that when she did something like moving a stack of bowls from one cabinet to another, she might encounter me in the doorway shouting, "you're destroying my childhood!" I was joking. Sort of.

Eventually, some decorating patterns emerged. Some were deliberate, others either inadvertent or executed quietly to avoid discord.



A rug purchased in Beijing in 1980 lies next to a table made from wood and a metal truck wheel bought in Bangkok in 2015.

Existing furniture items were replaced with new ones more congruent with our sense of design, but they stayed in the same places. This occasionally lent locations like the living room the sense of an Ikea design showroom, where the layout was exactly the same as decades ago except that, say, the Kibik had suddenly been replaced by the Vallentuna.

My wife's increasing proclivity for building industrial-style furniture using stained lumber, metal piping and flanges created an increasingly unified look for the house.

But more often than not, many of the items displayed on these spanking-new-but-vintage-looking shelves were carefully curated from my parents' collection. Best of both worlds.

Certain things were sacrosanct. That hanging mentioned above stayed right where it had been since Lyndon Johnson was president. But the blank wall around it sprouted with our maritally acquired stuff — cabinets from China, a soda-pop crate from 1940s eastern Pennsylvania, a Thai spirit house from our years in Bang-

kok. The items of a previous generation became centerpieces for the design musings of the next. Similarly, a Chinese throw rug purchased by my parents in 1980 became the perfect accessory for a circular coffee table we got in Thailand — one made by fusing wood to the steel wheel of a massive Thai truck.

I have a patient wife; this much should be said. Someone with as many great ideas as she has about how a house should look is a patient partner indeed when confronted with these emotionally freighted details. But what we have now, 15 years into living here, is something of a design detente.

She (as she has been from the beginning) is accommodating to the sometimes annoying fingers of the past when they reach into present-day discussions about, say, what color paint to use in the kitchen or what kind of light fixture is best for the upstairs hallway. I, in turn, have learned (not quite from the beginning, alas) to be open to new things.

The result: a home that summons the past without getting lost in it, and the promise that, if some-

thing new and innovative is possible, it doesn't get shot down just because history says so.

My parents are long gone now; our home stands as, among other things, a tribute to them and what they gave us. But I close with an anecdote from the years immediately after 2007, when they moved out and we moved in.

In that time, as our decidedly less minimalist aesthetic started to prevail, my parents would come over for dinner often. We always worried that my mother would blanch at the clutter and the usurping of her clean lines.

Instead, she'd sit by our newly installed "Family History Wall" — a busy concoction that came from our aesthetic, not hers — and invariably express her delight. "It's not the same as when we lived here," she'd say, "but I love it just as much."

She'd add: "This will always feel like our home, but I love that it's your house now."

In trying to blend the sensibilities of multiple generations and the emotions that come with them, that's about the best outcome I can imagine.

Design classics serve as a timeless foundation

By Cathy Hobbs
Tribune News Service

When it comes to interior design, it is often said that it is best to be "on trend" but not "trendy." This is where classic and timeless design elements come into play and can help to serve as a timeless foundation for your home.

If chosen purposefully, the selection of classic elements will allow you to

be able to have decor items that can be enjoyed for years.

When it comes to selecting classic design elements, here are five top tips.

1. Consider classic bedding. Bedding is the foundation of every bedroom. Selecting a classic pattern will allow you to pair it with portable design elements that can infuse color and pattern such as

pillows and throws.

2. Select a curated collection of throwback pieces. Throwback pieces are those you may have seen and admired decades ago, and now they are back in style. This is the foundation of a classic design.

3. Where to place elements. Look to place classic design elements throughout various rooms of your home,

from social areas such as living and dining spaces to bedrooms.

4. Build your collection. Purchase one or two curated classic pieces and use them as a foundation from which to add other classic elements over time.

5. Go for quality. Furniture and decor pieces that are well made will allow for longevity.



A classic-style iron headboard adds an eclectic yet timeless vibe to this bedroom. **COURTESY**

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Taking a quick look at fees

By Ilyce Glink and
Samuel J. Tamkin
Tribune Content Agency

Q: I own a condo that I rent out. The association charges me \$100 per year as an “annual administration lease fee.” Isn’t this creating two “classes” of owners in the association? While I admit that there is some extra work in leasing the condo, everything else is the same for the management company. I calculated that the management company is charging about \$12 per month per unit for managing the association (from the annual budget numbers for the management fee). I cannot believe that filing one lease with the association increases their workload by more than 50 % (the \$100 per year admin lease fee is \$8.33 per month).

A: We’ll break your question down into two parts: fees and whether the association has created two classes of owners. On the issue of fees, they’re everywhere.



Ask your homeowners association to take another look at the fee structure if you are concerned about certain fees. DREAMTIME

Association management companies now have a whole list of fees for everything, including bike fees, pet fees, key and fob fees, garage door opener fees, duplicate copies of association document fees, leasing fees, home transfer fees, home sale processing fees and many more, such as a long list of late fees and other homeowner fines. Some of these fees and fines go directly to the homeowners association, while others are paid to the management company. Years ago, management companies would have

charged the association either a flat fee or a fee per unit owner. But competition has served to unbundle fees and push management fees lower. But these “lower fees” come with a catch: Companies charge individually for all the services that were once included in the overall management fee. The result is higher overall fees. In addition, homeowners associations don’t want to raise their monthly assessments by too much each year. But, it’s relatively easy to add fees that only apply to some unit

owners. Homeowners associations have great latitude and discretion in running their associations. While Sam has seen a number of clients who do get upset at the fees, associations these days seem to add more fees each year. On the issue of two classes of owners, we doubt that most people would truly see owners who rent their units as a different class. Other than the annual rental fee, you or your tenant get all the same ownership rights as everyone else. And, while you

do pay an extra fee, that fee likely does not rise to a level to truly create a second class of owners any more than the annual fee some associations charge for those owners that elect to use storage lockers, bike rooms, or other items individually charged to homeowners. We get your point: The fee is likely a profit center for either the management company or the homeowners association. So, attend the next board meeting and bring up the issue. Ask the association to take another look at the fee structure. Many associations levy not

only a one-time leasing fee but also a fee when the lease renews. You should check to see whether you’re paying this fee annually. We welcome comments and anecdotes from our readers about association fees. Let us know if you have had success challenging your association on any fees charged. Ilyce Glink is the CEO of Best Money Moves and Samuel J. Tamkin is a real estate attorney. Contact them through the website ThinkGlink.com.

HOME REMEDIES

Outdoor trends to follow in ’22

By Paul F. P. Pogue
Ask Angi

Outdoor living has come a long way since throwing a blanket down for a family picnic. Advances in exterior features have made al fresco relaxation as much a part of everyday life as spending time in your kitchen or living room — meaning you have more options than ever before to bring indoor comforts to the outdoors. On top of that, we’ve all been staying home a lot more lately. That triggers inspiration to brighten up our backyards. But even as people regain a sense of normalcy, that interest in outdoor living isn’t slowing down this year. Here are six trends pros say are on the top of homeowners’ to-do lists in 2022. **1. Working from (an expanded) home:** Once

we got over the shock of having all our meetings in “Brady Bunch”-style Zoom boxes, work-from-homers started carving out unique spaces for themselves, including plenty of patios-turned-workstations. Outdoor pavilions with shade structures create ideal havens for working outdoors. (You may want to invest in a Wi-Fi extender while you’re at it!) **2. Bringing the indoors out:** Outdoor offices are only the beginning. You can replicate indoor amenities in an open-air environment with the right design. For example, retaining walls, fire pits and seating create permanent outdoor entertaining areas. With enough overhead protection, you can build an outdoor kitchen that rivals anything you’ll see indoors. Pros say hardscapes and outdoor living areas are here to stay.

3. Building creative hardscapes: If you’ve ever watched a kid play with building blocks, you know they can create countless combinations from a few essential pieces. The same goes for building outdoors with bricks and pavers — the options are limited only by imagination and budget. Homeowners are investing in retaining walls, steps, and structures to enhance their lawns, and pros say they’re seeing more and more creative designs develop. **4. Following winding paths:** You can add structure to your yard (and get rid of unsightly lines of trampled grass) by building walkways that guide people through the space and define connections around the yard. But that much hardscaping can cut into the budget for that dreamy hot tub or



Pros say outdoor kitchens are popular outdoor additions. DREAMTIME

must-have pergola. Luckily, you can get as many pathways as a “Pac-Man” game screen at a fraction of the cost by using alternatives such as gravel, mulch or stepping stones. **5. Installing hassle-free water features:** Nothing instills luxury and a sense of outdoor calm like a sparkling fountain. However, a

koi pond or extensive water feature adds both cost and ongoing upkeep. Instead, pros suggest low-intensity water features that don’t take much work after installation. Ask for a pondless system, which filters the water and holds it underground, so there’s no standing water. **6. Wiring the yard:** By

bringing home’s interior perks to the exterior, you can boost your comfort and use your space in the evenings and into cold weather. Heaters and extra outdoor lighting can extend your social time later into the evenings, and TVs mounted into outdoor spaces with overhead covers can help entertain.

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WEST HARTFORD

Charming 3 BR/1.1 Bath Colonial just a short walk to West Hartford Center. This well-maintained home is move in ready and located at the end of a quiet street. The home features a spacious front to back living room with wood burning fireplace, rich colored hardwood floors throughout and connects to a sunroom for added seasonal living space. The dining room is bright and charming with a built in corner hutch and wainscoting. The updated kitchen features newer cabinetry, granite counters, glass tile backsplash and stainless steel appliances. Off the kitchen is a brick patio for barbecuing and outdoor entertaining, along with covered access to the 1 car garage, where you'll find a 240V 30A outlet to charge an EV vehicle. The backyard is level and provides ample space for play and recreation. An updated half bath with beadboard wainscoting completes the main level. Upstairs is a spacious primary bedroom with double closets and jack & jill access to the large full bath. There are two additional bedrooms as well. The recently updated basement features a bonus/rec room with built in dry bar, recessed lighting, new flooring and the coolest laundry room around. There is also plenty of storage and space for a workshop. The home has a freshly painted exterior. Conveniently located to restaurants, shopping, parks and the Trout Brook Trail extension for easy walks into the Center, this home shows beautifully! There is nothing to do but move in and unpack. Don't miss out! MLS# 170477904 \$349,900. 4 Linnard Rd, West Hartford, CT 06107. Rick Conary 860-539-4175 | rickconary@bhhsne.com



HARTFORD

Join this friendly community at the Goodwin Estates located in Hartford's historic West End. This 3 bedroom, 2.1 bath Ives model townhouse offers HW floors throughout (except for the carpeted 3rd floor loft). The open floor plan living/dining room has recessed lighting and crown moldings plus sliders to an oversized paver patio which offers western afternoon light. The eat-in kitchen has lots of cabinets, granite counters, new stainless appliances and large window overlooking the private yard space. There is a main floor powder room and convenient access to the attached garage. The 2nd floor has all 3 bedrooms plus 2 full baths. The spacious primary bedroom has a vaulted ceiling, a large walk-in closet plus a private bath with double sinks, a soaker tub and separate shower. The laundry is conveniently located right near all the bedrooms. a 3rd floor bonus loft offers lots of options - a perfect home office, exercise room, TV/media space, just use your imagination. There is an unfinished basement for all your storage needs. Amenities include the Goodwin Mansion with library, exercise room plus an outdoor pool. MLS #170487162 \$332,000. 94 Goodwin Circle, Hartford, CT 06105. Mollie Abend 860-997-0313 | mabend@bhhsne.com



PROPERTY OF THE WEEK: 19 Thistle Hollow, Unit 19, Avon

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Upscale Avon Townhouse Combines Luxury Living with a Host of Amenities

By Karen A. Avitabile

A stunning townhouse in Avon offers a carefree lifestyle, inside and outside. Built in 1999, this 3,220-square-foot expansive home features an open space floor plan, room to entertain, plenty of work-from-home spaces and relaxation in the private outdoors.



Located in the sought-after Hunter's Run, this end-unit is full of atmosphere and warmth. Customized by interior designers, the inviting space is finished with exquisite taste, offering luxury appointments and modern updates throughout.



Enter through the two-story foyer into a large, open area leading into a 24-by-20 great room. Hardwood flooring, a vaulted ceiling, custom millwork, a Palladian window and a marble-framed, wood-burning fireplace enhance the space. In the dining room, you will find an antique brass chandelier, large windows and a coffered ceiling finished in Venetian plaster.

"There is this wow factor when you walk into the home," says Caitlyn Cleary of William



Pitt | Sotheby's International Realty of Avon. "There is a nice flow for entertaining."

The chef's kitchen, complete with a breakfast nook and oversize windows, is fitted with white cabinets, a tile backsplash and floor, Corian countertops, double sinks, pendant lighting, a gas range, abundant prepping surfaces and a pantry. Captivating garden views enhance the attached sunroom, or sitting room, with French doors opening to a stone patio, the perfect spot for relaxing and entertaining.

The spacious primary suite on the main level has built-ins, a custom headboard, a sitting area, a vaulted ceiling, a new ceiling fan and a handsome walk-in closet with shelving and pendant lights. Relish in the en suite bath adorned by two vanities, a jetted tub and a separate tiled shower.

Off the kitchen, a roomy laundry room doubles as a workstation, with a built-in desk-counter and upper cabinets. The space opens to a large two-car garage with ample storage. A powder room rounds out the main level.



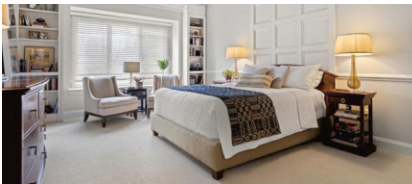
Each of the two bedrooms upstairs consists of walk-in closets. A custom headboard also adorns one of the bedrooms. A full bath with a tub/shower combination is located on this level, as well as another laundry hook-up.

When you need to take a pause or additional space for guests, relax in the 1,000-square-foot lower level family room,

completely renovated for entertaining. Gather around the banquette, a tailor-made peninsula and a ventless gas log fireplace in this stylish and functional space with mood lighting.

"This is great bonus space, especially when people come to visit," Cleary says.

A separate billiard room, that could easily be used as a home theater, a game room or a kid's space, has a dry bar and custom built-ins to display collectibles. Currently used for displaying artwork, a separate art studio with French doors can be converted into a craft space or an office. Another area behind closed doors is a workshop with a bench.



The home is heated by gas and cooled by central air conditioning. Its mechanicals have been serviced every six months. The property utilizes public water and public sewer, an underground sprinkler system and underground utilities. Earlier this year, the home's water heater, garage door opener and water spigots were replaced.

The parcel the home sits on has updated landscaping in the front and back, and an open side yard. Accentuated by a large fieldstone patio, the backyard is encased by a stone wall, which "adds extra privacy," Cleary says. Over the past three years, flowerbeds and landscaping were updated.

Hunters Run is located at the base of Avon Mountain. Nearby is the Heublein Tower historic home and museum, accessible by walking trail only. "You



always see people out walking in the neighborhood," Cleary adds.

A monthly \$550 association fee allows full access to outdoor tennis courts, a remodeled clubhouse, an indoor heated pool, a fitness center, locker rooms and a kitchen with a large space for hosting celebrations. In addition to these amenities, grounds maintenance, trash pickup, snow removal and annual mulching are included in the fee.

Private showings of the home are underway. For property details and a photo gallery, visit <https://19thistlehollow.com>.

Karen A. Avitabile is a freelance writer based in Plantsville.

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

19 Thistle Hollow, Unit 19, Avon

Built: 1999
Price: \$620,000
Style: Villa townhome, end unit
Rooms: 6 (excluding lower level)
Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2 full; 1 half
Square footage: 3,220 (includes 1,000 square feet of finished space in lower level)
Mill rate: 34.21
Best feature: Maintenance-free luxury living with high-end amenities
Contact: Diane Barry Team, (860) 614-1569, <http://dianebarryteam.com>; Caitlyn Cleary, (860) 798-1589, ccleary@wpsir.com; <https://19thistlehollow.com>

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What you should know about MyHomeCT



Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, many families have fallen behind on their regular housing payments, placing them at risk of losing their homes to foreclosure. According to the Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, more than one-third of Connecticut homeowners have lost employment income, and more than 1 in 9 have fallen behind on housing payments at some point during the pandemic.

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Connecticut has been awarded approximately \$123 million to establish MyHomeCT, a program funded by the Homeowner Assistance Fund. The Connecticut Department of Housing is the responsible entity for the program and has designated the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) to administer it on its behalf.

WHAT IS MYHOMECT?

This program will help eligible homeowners who have suffered a financial hardship because of the COVID-19 pandemic by offering up to 12 months of forward payments, reinstatement or a combination of both. The assistance is meant to cure and/or prevent mortgage- and housing-related delinquencies and foreclosure. Eligibility requirements include:

- Applicant must live in the state of Connecticut and occupy the property as their primary residence.
- Applicants must have experienced a COVID-19 related financial hardship after Jan. 21, 2020 or experienced a financial hardship before Jan. 21, 2020 which was then worsened/extended by the pandemic.



- Assistance for a delinquency existing from prior to Jan. 21, 2020 is capped to three months so any amounts owed before October 2019 will not be eligible. Real estate property taxes that were assessed on the October 2018 Grand List and subsequent Grand Lists are eligible expenses.
- Property must be an owner-occupied 1- to 4-unit house, condominium, townhouse or manufactured home.
- Homeowners applying for mortgage assistance must have a mortgage that had a principal balance at or below the Federal Housing Finance Agency's conforming loan limits for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac at the time of origination.
- Household income must be equal to or less than 150% area median income, adjusted for household size.

KRISTIN'S STORY

Like so many others in Connecticut, Kristin's family fell on hard times. With two young children at home and only one income, it became difficult to keep up with housing expenses.

"I got a call one day that saved everything," Kristin says. "My mortgage servicer called to tell me about the MyHomeCT program and encourage me to apply."

She says the application process was easier than she expected, and the "amazing relief" the program provided was more than she could have ever hoped for.

"It gave my family a second chance, and we are beyond grateful," she says. "Thank you so much to CHFA for keeping my family in our home and our mortgage current!"

If you are a Connecticut homeowner who has faced a financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, you may be eligible for the MyHomeCT program. Visit [CHFA.org/MyHomeCT](https://www.chfa.org/MyHomeCT) to learn more and apply. If you need help with your application, you may call 877-894-4111 (toll free) or visit one of the [MyHomeCT Resource Centers](#). The list of resource centers can also be found at www.chfa.org/MyHomeCT.

- Provided by the [Connecticut Housing Finance Authority](#)



REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

ANSONIA

1 Hoinski Way, Nguyen, Trinh and Nguyen, Hai to Diez, Julio C and Diez, Paula Q, 4/25, \$390,000

3 Schumacher Cr, Cruz, Anthony to Telfer, Shelly A and Telfer, Simeon J, 4/29, \$335,000

6 Renehan Dr, GPC Construction LLC to Ruff, Lashawn, 4/26, \$385,000

25 Nolan Rd, Kiley, Zachary T to Otero, Lisandra T and Rodriguez, Jean C, 4/26, \$223,000

35 Silver Hill Rd, Haddad, Robert to United Illuminating Co, 4/25, \$45,000

71 Root Ave, Bodyk, Jennifer to Machuca, Stefany D, 4/26, \$250,000

AVON

2 Racebrook Ln Lot 2, Gallagher, Frank X and Gallagher, Mary E to Brasfield, Duke and Rossetti, Michelle, 4/27, \$263,000

4 Fieldstone Ln Lot 4, Shue, Gongliang and Fan, Jianhua to Clark, Lisa, 4/25, \$315,000

4 Fieldstone Ln Lot 4, Shue, Gongliang and Fau, Jianhua to Clark, Lisa, 4/25, \$315,000

16 Hitchcock Ln, Deming, Ryan T and Giuditta, Holly to Reiss, Lindsay N and Reiss, Samuel, 4/28, \$857,500

50 Stockbridge Dr, Silvio Brighenti Family to Audette, David A and Audette, Beata, 4/25, \$195,000

91 Fox Hollow Lot 91, Strbuncelj, Nevenka L to Zheng, Weiwei and Dong, Fan, 4/26, \$540,000

239 Old Farms Road Lot 148, Commins, Bronwyn to Panteopoulou, James and Panteopoulous, Marie C, 4/25, \$131,000

BARKHAMSTED

Kelsey Ct, Andrew W Mason Assoc Inc and Eddy, Daniel to Brook View Developers LLC, 4/25, \$36,500

16 Kelsey Ct, Andrew W Mason Assoc Inc and Eddy, Daniel to Brook View Developers LLC, 4/25, \$36,500

21 Kelsey Ct, Andrew W Mason Assoc Inc and Stanizzi, Ralph A to Brook View Developers LLC, 4/25, \$35,000

BEACON FALLS

Fairfield Pl Lot 9, C Edward Co Inc to John P Garcia&Assoc PC, 4/27, \$75,000

20 Twin Oak Trl, Eg Home LLC to Sardi, Stephen G and Sardi, Dawn M, 4/26, \$474,960

51 Cambridge Ct Lot 51, Zhang, ZI H and Chen, Sijia to Goris, Jonathan, 4/28, \$182,000

81 Dorchester Ct Lot 81, Buzzelli, Christian to Defriesse, Donna L and Defriesse, Edward A, 4/29, \$179,000

BERLIN

Chamberlain Hwy, Stonetrough LLC to 19 Wooster Street LLC, 4/26, \$13,200

Chamberlain Hwy, Pierre Bennerup RET and Bennerup, Pierre to 19 Wooster Street LLC, 4/26, \$316,800

82 Sherry Ln, Roe, Pamela D and Roe, Timothy R to Rozendaal, Nicole E and Rozendaal, Alexander V, 4/27, \$648,000

136 Porters Pass, Uriage, Daniel J to Farm 136 LLC, 4/25, \$420,000

145 Robinlade Rd, Thomas J Murphy T and Murphy, Kevin J to Morrone, Adriana J and Mckeown, Sean P, 4/26, \$360,000

177 Kensington Rd, Baldyga, Thomas and Baldyga, Cindi A to MJ Holdings Ct LLC, 4/25, \$250,000

237 Scenic Dr Lot 237, Estates Of Berlin LLC to Esernia, Dennis P and Esernia, Priscilla E, 4/29, \$571,054

578 Worthington Rdg, Prentiss Jr, Gregory T and Prentiss, Dawne R to Powell, Evan D and Powell, Corinne G, 4/25, \$367,000

600 4 Rod Rd Lot 8, Winthrop Gardens LLC to Fidello, Carmelina, 4/26, \$52,000

600 4 Rod Rd Lot 7, Szkotak Real Estate LLC to Window Ress Rity LLC, 4/25, \$459,000

BETHEL

4 Hidden Brook Trl Lot 4, Howell, Carolyn A to Napolitano, Michélie and Napolitano, Michael, 4/26, \$490,000

6 Daniska Dr, Guider 3rd, Edward to Camille, Anie and Diagne, Ibrahimia, 4/25, \$500,000

8 Sunset Hill Rd, Cox, Brian J to Lombardi, Tracy, 4/25, \$536,000

9 Chipmunk Ter Lot 9, Loayza, Wendollyn J and Veras, Henry to Starrick, Rebecca L, 4/28, \$345,000

17 Wolfpits Rd, Rabjohn, Richard J and Rabjohn, Caren M to Schwartz, Jacob S and Bell, Carolyn J, 4/26, \$670,000

19 Great Hill Dr Lot 19, Toll CT 2 LP to Caccopola, Julius M and Caccopola, Roseanne M, 4/29, \$604,400

33 Eagle Rock HI Lot 33, Griffin, Tina to Quinn, Kevin and Quinn, Robynne, 4/22, \$312,000

43 Natureview Trl Lot 43, Duncan, David to Rengulbai, Joshua C, 4/21, \$230,000

80 Copper Square Dr Lot 80, USA VA to Derivsevic, Aida and Derivsevic, Nedim, 4/28, \$485,000

526 Copper Square Dr Lot 526, RMS Copper Square LLC to Thomas, Shannel and Parnell, Davon, 4/25, \$382,000

BETHLEHEM

89 Long Meadow Rd, Docchio, William to Kelley C Seymour Dr and Seymour, Kelley C, 4/29, \$561,850

150 Lake Dr, Murphy, Maureen and Mills, Jamie L to Federspiel, Christopher and Solomon, Sophie, 4/26, \$765,250

BLOOMFIELD

1 Tamarack Dr Lot 1, Band, David S to Big Things LLC, 4/25, \$165,000

2 Carnoustie Cir Lot 2, Leroy, H Craig and Alvord, Bethany J to Jeppson, Pamela, 4/26, \$400,000

12 Crestview Dr, Gilman, Charles A to SPM RE Properties LLC, 4/27, \$180,000

22 Spring Hill Ln, Baker, Audrey J to Taylor, Nadette, 4/29, \$357,000

24 Reed Ct Lot 24, Wiggs, Caroland to Rochester, Judie A, 4/27, \$170,000

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26 Stuart Dr, Ann D Leavitt T and Leavitt, Ann D to Dewey, Deanna S and Dewey, Stephen R, 4/27, \$475,000

40 Greenwood Ave, Smith, Lloyd O and Smith, Mavis M to Linehan, Chelsea and Nelson, Joshua, 4/28, \$230,000

57 Oliver Way Lot 57, Stern, Andrew E and Stern, Sandra G to Budlong, Ruth C, 4/27, \$382,500

76 Lincoln Ter, Fontes, Irlanda A to Foy, Meghan, 4/29, \$236,000

BOLTON

29 French Rd, Parreira, Daniel J to Ferreira, Brenda, 4/26, \$181,000

BRANFORD

11 Jeffrey Ln, Marsh, Daniel T and Marsh, Peter B to Weted, Nicholas S, 4/27, \$305,500

33 Sagamore Cove Rd, Anderson, Karen F and Ford, James J to Katz, Jennifer, 4/28, \$1,050,000

52 Valley Brook Rd, Lender, Marilyn to Hull, Michele L, 4/29, \$530,000

130 Cherry Hill Rd, Pantalone Jr, Joseph to Settembre Elm LLC, 4/29, \$295,000

155 Foxbridge Village Rd Lot 155, Protack, Clinton to Azar, Marwan M, 4/29, \$245,000

161 Peddlars Dr Lot 161, Rubino, Lillian and Rubino, Maria A to Sherman, Susan G and Gilmore, Ralph J, 4/27, \$266,000

BRIDGEPORT

Hanover St, Shatney, Joanna to Hamioui, Mohamed, 4/27, \$280,000

Jane St, Mercedes, Isaac to Morales, Misraim, 4/27, \$230,000

Spring Hill Condo Lot 5, Wardé Realty LLC to Scraders Sr, Anthony H, 4/27, \$184,500

24 Riverview Dr Lot 24, Gene Jacqueline Est and Kapustein, Kimberley J to Costa, Sergio S, 4/22, \$154,500

31 Oakview Cir Lot 201, Wehner, Margaree to Sadler, Robert, 4/26, \$95,000

40 Wilmot Pl, Bernal, Miriam to Montes, Oscar, 4/21, \$230,000

46 Cherry Hill Dr Lot 1B, Haas, Marilyn to Alexandru, Cosmin and Malacea, Nicoleta, 4/21, \$85,000

51 Riverview Dr Lot 51, Marks, Rosemarie C to Larson, Jeffrey L, 4/21, \$135,000

64 Manhattan Ave, Wood, Andrew to Stella Homes LLC, 4/20, \$185,000

65 Nelson Ter, Youssef, Ashraf I and Youssef, Affoue to Beadle, Avery, 4/19, \$310,000

66 Dayton Rd, Cruz, Wilfredo to Ortiz, Sonia E and Ortiz, Sabrina, 4/25, \$300,000

67 Lance Cir Lot 67, Schmidt Joan Est and Schmidt, Louis G to Ericson, Christopher and Ericson, Alan, 4/21, \$217,999

71 Myron Ave, Rodrigues, Ana to Alvarado, Jose, 4/22, \$400,000

124 George St, Paiva, Jose and Paiva, Jessica to Morel, Felix, 4/26, \$450,000

124 Robert St, Jose Ortiz T and Ortiz, Jose to Gomez, Diana C, 4/26, \$206,000

131 Goddard Ave, Rossio, Joanne to Azzi, Yulissa R and Azzi, Elias M, 4/21, \$165,000

142 Herkimer St, Harris, Robert L and Harris, Anita to Martin, Paul A, 4/21, \$310,000

145 Pond St, Bridgeport RE LLC to Lewis, Lana L, 4/19, \$252,500

170 Red Oak Rd, Ramos 3rd, Marcos A and Reyes, Yael to Mancebo, Ana and Castillo, Pedro, 4/19, \$420,000

179 Dekalb Ave, Hardison, Burnest and Manuf Traders T Co to Mato, Eduart, 4/20, \$113,000

183 Frenchtown Rd, Stella Homes LLC to Halatchev, Radka and Halatchev, Kalin, 4/19, \$400,000

183 Northfield St, Formato, Patricia B to Defilippo, Michael and Defilippo, Chantal M, 4/20, \$305,000

197 Willow St, Salmon, Sandra to Campos, Otoniel, 4/25, \$190,000

250 N Bishop Ave Lot 41, Sobotka, Wojciech to 250 North Bishop Ave Assn, 4/19, \$50,000

263-269 Putnam St, Robles, Johnney to GD Capital&Vent LLC, 4/25, \$480,000

322 Harmony St, Bennett Unlimited LLC to Morales, Cristina M, 4/27, \$405,000

346 Lafayette St Lot 8111, Capaldi, Karen to Lafayette 8111 LLC, 4/21, \$125,000

390 Charles St Lot 218, Desnaue, Jalyn M to Epps, Daquan, 4/21, \$158,000

393 Laurel Ave Lot 104, Sneed, Byron C to Morrison Properties LLC, 4/27, \$80,000

406 Charles St, Palmer, Leroy D to Lewis, Torri A and Lewis, Lonnie W, 4/25, \$310,000

420-422 Main St, Vukaj, Aleksander to Uribe, Juan, 4/25, \$48,000

426 Savoy St, Rodriguez, Rebecca M and Santos, Pedro N to Gomez, Adolfo H and Gomez, Serfa M, 4/19, \$340,000

435 Anson St, Andrade, Marcia and Desousa, Adersivone to Abimbola, Comfort, 4/27, \$410,000

443 Woodlawn Ave Ext, Christy, Ernest L and Christy, Veronica B to Zoquier, Glennis M and Zoquier, Fausto, 4/20, \$365,000

479 Ezra St, Paulo, Joao R and Paulo, Maria E to Kader, Badrul and Akther, Shelina, 4/20, \$350,000

480 East Ave, Roszkowski, Christopher and Roszkowski, Sylvia J to Umoh, Rashida V, 4/20, \$274,900

525-527 Jane St, Hu, Hongi T to 79 Lansing LLC, 4/26, \$393,000

535 Merritt St, Jinlal, Nick to Cheng, Johnny and Lee, Hui H, 4/19, \$385,000

557 Wilmot Ave, Clemente, Tomas and Clemente, Giuseppe to Bryan, Donna and Wareham, Arion, 4/21, \$52,000

677 Old Town Rd, Westphalen, Meagen A and Westphalen, Janet to Kudaisi, Olabisi M and Kudaisi, Andrew A, 4/27, \$365,000

740-742 Brooks St, Phillips, Michael to 740 Brooks St LLC, 4/25, \$330,000

802 Norman St, James, Barbara to Vazquez, Manuel S, 4/19, \$240,000

843 Park Ave Lot 843, Dasilva, Luis C to Hayden, Christopher, 4/25, \$237,500

2370 North Ave Lot 4C, Rutigliano, Joshua to Bushnell, Paola L, 4/19, \$85,000

2675 Park Ave Lot 12, Davis, Tiffany to Prendi, Prena, 4/25, \$275,000

2955 Madison Ave Lot 10, Prizio, Peter to Lawrence S Deitler T and Deitler, Lawrence S, 4/25, \$284,000

BRISTOL

1 Brookview Cir Lot 1, Lee, Loretta and Heinzinger, Margaret to Donovan, Patrick J and Donovan, Mary A, 4/27, \$320,000

6 Edgewood St, Striewski, Gary to Verceles, Ashley, 4/25, \$536,000

13 Henry St, Davidson, Callum to Merced, Jatmarie, 4/27, \$200,000

19 Haig Ave, Mongillo Ingrid Est and Henriquez, Jessica to A 2 Z Investors LLC, 4/27, \$145,000

22 Wiegert Way, Trademark Acquisitions to Benedetto, Julia R and Filippone, Nathan, 4/26, \$369,900

24 Fairway View Dr, Joseph A Marine Fam IRT and Allaire, Halley C to Jablonski, Magdalena and Jablonski, Wieslaw, 4/25, \$300,000

28 Reilly Pl, Valle, Vanessa to Hoque, Mohammad N, 4/29, \$282,000

53 Burlington Ave, 5053 Realty LLC to ACLK LLC, 4/28, \$190,000

53 Lufkin Ln, Santana, Helene to Ludlum, Eric, 4/25, \$395,000

60 Park St, Sunshine Homes LLC to Henriquez, Vianeliz, 4/25, \$225,000

60 Steele Rd, Kanenberg, James R to Waida, Cassandra, 4/28, \$176,000

61 Judson Ave, Schiavone, Anthony J and Churchill, Carole S to Maloney, Frazier and Held, Jessica, 4/25, \$232,500

73 Gillette Way Lot 73, Lemieux Developers LLC to Morganelini, David and Morganelini, Sheila, 4/29, \$274,900

78 Fleetwood Rd, Herpak, Russell A to Jaffett, Joshua, 4/26, \$285,000

91 Bellevue Ave, Dasilva Laura A Est and Gentile, Lisa to Flores, Jimmy, 4/28, \$300,000

154 Redstone St, 154 Redstone Street LLC to Fox, Matthew T and Fox, Hannah S, 4/26, \$302,000

180 Carriage Rd, Seiser, Andrea to Boronin, Ivan and Perry, Ashley, 4/28, \$308,000

190 Shagbark Dr, Eckstrom, Lillian G to Nozzolillo, Angela M, 4/28, \$235,000

212 Greene St, Kenney, James J to 34 Hawthorne LLC, 4/26, \$120,000

217 Kays St, Perch Rock Management LLC to Kaur, Narinder, 4/29, \$250,000

235 Illinois Ave, USA HUD to Falcon, Luis C and Diaz, Olga V, 4/25, \$210,000

290 East Rd, Brady Jr, Robert J and Brady, Joann to Campbell, Mason, 4/27, \$176,000

411 N Main St, Bristol Main LLC to 411-431 North Main LLC, 4/25, \$2,915,000

425 N Main St, Bristol Main LLC to 411-431 North Main LLC, 4/25, \$2,915,000

482 Lake Ave Lot 16, Dinello, Matthew M and Dinello, Sarah R to Ringrose, James, 4/27, \$145,000

574 East Rd, Reckert, Scott to Chudzik, John and Chudzik, Kimberly M, 4/27, \$143,000

614 Jerome Ave, Neumann David M Est and Neumann, Robert O to Meunier, Dillid J and Girardi, Jennifer N, 4/29, \$201,333

895 Matthews St Lot 47, Brennan, Patricia F to Agostino-Miranda, Norman I, 4/27, \$165,000

1090 Matthews St, Huria, Peter and Seabourne, George P to MJ ET Properties LLC, 4/27, \$215,000

1263 Stafford Ave, Instant Property Solution to Riefenhauser, Keri, 4/26, \$312,000

BROOKFIELD

11 Chatham Ct Lot 11, Schalich, Marylou B and Brundage, Barry to Tryonas, Joan M, 4/27, \$150,000

31 Berkshire Dr, Arneson, Kirk A to Montes, Marisa L, 4/27, \$450,000

62 Riverford Rd, Roca, Nicolas and Wehmann, Maria P to Carvalho, Cesar A and Nofurira-Carvalho, Ana K, 4/26, \$1,950,000

BURLINGTON

W Side Blvd, Fields, Stephen B to Braye, Ryan and Braye, Caroline, 4/25, \$30,000

Westside Blvd, Arborio, Faith to Brayne, Ryan and Braye, Caroline, 4/25, \$55,000

39 Spielman Hwy, Ellis, Michael R and Ellis, Cindy I to 39 Spielman LLC, 4/27, \$200,000

41 Punch Brook Rd, Hinchey, Brian C and Hinchey, Priscilla C to FF LLC, 4/28, \$150,000

338 George Washington Tpke, White, Noah and Inman, Tessa N to Youssef, Sami and Perhacs, Sarah, 4/28, \$372,000

CANAAN

N/A, Arcadipane, Alan to Good, Stephen M and Sawlit, Edward F, 4/28, \$132,815

N/A, Walter T Thomas F and Thomas, Peter T to Connecticut State Of, 4/28, \$790,000

30 Prospect St, Dempsey, Susan to Grosso, Kellie and Henkens, James, 4/25, \$735,000

35 Facchin St, Little Wing Exp LLC to Killawee, Peter and Killawee, Lauren M, 4/27, \$369,000

CANTERBURY

135 N Society Rd, Pedersen Katherine M Est to Morel, Felix, 4/26, \$450,000

157 Wright Pond Rd, Allied Mortgage Group Inc and Rideout, Augustus C to Liang, Tony, 4/28, \$202,948

CANTON

8 Deer Run Rd, Philip W Ostapko RET and Ostapko, Philip W to Fusco, Sara and Fusco, Daniel, 4/25, \$357,000

9 Birch Rd, Cole, Matthew and Cole, Noelle M to Brockavich, Megan, 4/28, \$305,000

17 High Hill Rd, US Bank NA Tr to Gagnon, Ray, 4/25, \$316,312

18 Dowd Ave, 18820 Dowd Ave LLC to Albrecht, Colliin C, 4/27, \$295,500

26 Ridge Rd, Hansen, Alex J and Hansen, Robert A to Fry, Danielle M and Fry, Jordan L, 4/26, \$345,000

CHESHIRE

36 Woodridge Dr Lot 36, Keane, Lauren R and Keane, Megan E to Mccall, Susan T, 4/28, \$170,000

56 Nob Hill Rd, Eguia, Jose M and Eguia, Maral R to Wallace, Thomas M and Wallace, Tiffany A, 4/26, \$500,000

60 W Ridge Ct, Diversifield Cook HI LLC to Dalos&Stern LLC, 4/29, \$119,900

203 S Brookvale Rd, Munger Rachel S Est and Jones, Elizabeth to Oleksyuk, Iryna, 4/27, \$281,500

270 Scenic Ct, Quinlan, Kelly S to Brissette, Cody and Hayes, Shannon, 4/28, \$552,000

662 Coleman Rd, Rabago, Cynthia M to Kozacek, Kevin T and Kozacek, Shelly J, 4/28, \$650,000

749 S Main St Lot 749, Marone, Michael A to Mo, Bingham and You, Jiajia, 4/25, \$210,000

759 S Main St Lot 759, Alogna, Anthony to Trusch, Kelly, 4/27, \$230,000

961 Notch Rd, Kabelka, Thomas A to Ferarri, Stacey, 4/29, \$473,500

CHESTER

9 Railroad Ave, Sigersmith, Hillary to Sime-one, Amy B and Simeone, Michael L, 4/25, \$140,550

43 Bokum Rd, Gilbert Diane Est and Simons, Lee to Evalated Terra Inc, 4/25, \$10,428

CLINTON

6 Kenilworth Dr, Lee, Douglas E and Lee, Isabelle A to Leu, Eric and Kovacs, Chelsey, 4/29, \$405,000

25 South Pkwy, Liu, Stan and Liu, Roseann to Sanders, Sarah K, 4/29, \$430,000

107 Fairy Dell Rd, Caporale, Maria A to Jandreau, James and Jandreau, Ginger, 4/27, \$525,000

116 Commerce St, FHLM to Johanemann, Joann G and Johanemann, John P, 4/29, \$140,000

COLCHESTER

99 Deer Run Dr, Brunner, Shawn D and Brunner, Kelly to M&Luisa Deperla T and Deperla, M, 4/28, \$448,200

401 Stage Coach Row Lot 401, Gonzalez, Carmen G to Michele, Rodney D, 4/29, \$255,900

755 Middletown Rd, Siotch, Kyle to Ellex, Cody, 4/28, \$233,000

COLEBROOK

Phelps Rd, Stickney, Deborah and Gray, Delmar I to Villano, Christopher J, 4/25, \$50,000

278 Colchester River Rd, Devanny, Theresa M to Lundeberg, Susan, 4/25, \$240,000

COLUMBIA

11 Sunrise Dr, SR Blanchard Inc to Silver, Dana S and Farrow, Malone O, 4/25, \$748,877

CORNWALL

Kent Rd S, Mittwoch Helgard Est and Barnett, Robert to Skaff, Didi and Re, Robert V, 4/25, \$76,800

COVENTRY

98 Dooley Ave, Valentino, Erin to Kauffman, Robert M, 4/26, \$138,500

284 Kings Rd, Tetreault, Leo J to Berbereia, Zachery, 4/27, \$220,000

CROWHILL

9 Clubhouse Dr Lot 9, Zabroski, Matthew to Horan, Isabella V, 4/27, \$192,500

9 Margo Ct Lot 9, Stone, Ashley W to Sullivan, Kathleen and Sullivan, Michael, 4/25, \$200,000

10 Juniper Hill Ct Lot 10, Bonaiuto, Jody to Wotton, Justin J and Sade, Alanna C, 4/29, \$225,000

14 Valley Run Dr Lot 14, Duffey, David M to Khingone, Harrison M and Muechemi, Flavia H, 4/25, \$245,000

20 Cortland Way, Reed Builders LLC to Sundholm, Drew T and Franklin, Kelly, 4/28, \$180,000

57 Midway Dr Lot 57, Hamm Homes LLC to Delvecchio, Richard A, 4/28, \$258,000

57 North Rd, Kupchik, John T and Kupchik, Donna M to Deltfesen, Benjamin T and Lynn, Tatianna R, 4/26, \$380,000

354 Main St, Picard, Christopher J to Owen, Darcy A and Coogan, Susan B, 4/29, \$170,000

DANBURY

2 Nicholas St, Ayala, Santa and Benchmark Mun Tax Svcs to Hassan, Ahmed M, 4/27, \$171,000

4 Brentwood Cir Lot 4, Toll CT 3 LP to Griz-zaffi, Bernard and Grizzaffi, Elizabeth M, 4/25, \$641,995

7 Olive St, JMD Dev Partners LLC to Twin Hills LLC, 4/26, \$127,500

7 Tannar Dr, Lubus, Mark S to Resource 360 LLC, 4/27, \$136,500

8 Denver Ter, MK Homes LLC to Lopes, Cesar M, 4/27, \$155,000

8 Highland Ave, Duran Proeprieties LLC to Chimborazo, Manuel M, 4/26, \$490,000

11 Scuppo Rd Lot 402, Mendez, Wilberk to Neave, David and Wiszotzky, Michel, 4/27, \$360,000

14 Denver Ter, Lopes, Cesar M to Gomes, Edvaldo and Gomes, Raquel S, 4/25, \$350,000

14 South St Lot 18, Austin, Lisa to Belardi-nelli, Lauren, 4/25, \$335,000

16 Grace St, Ingrassia, Devenna A to Liebman, Lawrence J and Liebman, Karen L, 4/25, \$335,000

24 Melrose Ave, Pontello, Michael J and Dellapira, Basia E to Granillo, Bayron R, 4/25, \$385,000

44 E Hayestown Rd Lot 14, Vazquez, Flora M to Khattabi, Saad and Taoufik, Zoulaikha, 4/26, \$425,000

53 North St Lot 2, Curtis, Tracy to MUSH LLC, 4/25, \$155,000

55 Old Mill Rd Lot 4, Mongillo, MacLayne to Ohambre, Sumita, 4/25, \$185,000

73-79 Park Ave Lot 409, Jitkoski, Juarez to Zhong, Jinglin and Nie, Lei, 4/25, \$167,000

96 Franklin St Lot 9C, Correia, Jamie L to Fermin, Erika M and Fermin, Maria, 4/25, \$280,000

126 Triangle St Lot B16, Peters, Sonja to Bertola, Adriana, 4/25, \$75,000

142 Carol St, Jack R Becker RET and Becker, Jack R to Ali, David and Ali, Anasha, 4/25, \$346,500

166 Old Brookfield Rd Lot 24B2, Union SB to Carrero, Maria and Mccmillan, Dwight, 4/27, \$214,900

1005 Cypress Dr Lot 1005, Debra A Hillyer RET and Hillyer, Debra A to Joyner, Karen, 4/25, \$300,000

1102 Lexington Mews, Arnehat, Jonathan to Merryman, Patrick and Calneah, Nicole, 4/25, \$420,000

2706 Eaton Ct Lot 2706, Buchanan Howard D Est and Buchanan, Matthew to Pfiel, Rachel, 4/25, \$376,000

DARLEN

Ridge Ln, 16 Oxridge LLC to Bysse, Robert T and Bysse, Marilene, 4/27, \$4,800,000

8 Searles Rd, Puljic, Goran and Puljic, Melinda to Casey, Colleen M, 4/26, \$4,201,000

16 Jackson Pl, Robinson, Emily and Robinson, George to Schlemm, Suzanna and Bren-dler, Matthias, 4/25, \$850,000

21 Loforge Rd, Drosesch, Thomas P and Drosesch, Vigee H to Symes, Audrey and Symes, Alexander, 4/27, \$1,000,000

28 Walmsley Rd, Scherneckes, Lauren to Coogan 3rd, Henry W and Coogan, Sarah R, 4/21, \$1,731,000

133 West Ave, Wald, Pamela to Arnier, Jeffrey and Arnier, Hilary, 4/25, \$1,100,000

DERBY

Park Ave, Tyburski Pearl Est and Tyburski, Joseph C to Capo Properties LLC, 4/25, \$10,000

7 Derbyshire Way Lot 7, FNMA to Manchanda, Ajay and Manchanda, Aastha, 4/26, \$183,750

12 Santangelo Ter Lot 12, Watton, James L Ray, 4/25, \$316,312

27-29 McLaughlin Ter, Matejek, Peter to Bill-ings, Marvin, 4/27, \$370,000

125 Park Ave, Tyburski, Joseph C and Tyburski, Steohen C to Capo Properties LLC, 4/25, \$165,000

127 Park Ave, Lindner, Russell D to 127 Park Ave Derby LLC, 4/25, \$319,000

DURHAM

17 Evergreen Ter, Rea, Lionel D and Rea, Donna S to Evans Jr, James W and Poznan, Kristina E, 4/25, \$466,000

21 Mill Pond Ln Lot F, Annino, Emily to Shel-don, Janice E, 4/28, \$120,000

EAST GRANBY

9 Aspen Rise, Robinson, John D and Loranger, Susan J to Mill, Jeremy J and Mill, Katrina, 4/26, \$562,000

9 Southwood Ln, Beman 3rd, Leonard M and Mullins, Jocelyn C to Ieraci, Jennifer and Ieraci, Joseph, 4/29, \$371,000

19 Seymour Rd Lot 19D, Blueline Properties LLC to Slajda, Michelle, 4/28, \$125,000

49 Brighton Dr, Carelli Raymond J Sr Est and Shimkus Jr, Charles J to Schoelen, Christina and Schoelen, Christopher, 4/26, \$90,000

78 Old County Rd, Burwood, Gabriella to Ek Real Estate Fund 1 LLC, 4/28, \$293,200

EAST HADDAM

N/A, Schutz, Sara H and Schutz, Kory S to Pamela C Sullivan T and Sullivan, Pamela C, 4/29, \$511,100

9 Lumber Yard Rd, Rutledge, Virginia B to Kirsch, Kathryn L and Snyder, Jacob, 4/29, \$59,000

22 Ridge Rd, Casner, Robert to Heath, Greg-ory V and Heath, Valerie R, 4/27, \$65,000

35 Pine Rd, Marsilio, Laurinda to Dapkus, Paul W, 4/28, \$163,000

EAST HAMPTON

5 Maple St, Lemay, Thomas to Iovanna, Joseph, 4/25, \$174,000

45 Spellman Point Rd, Naylor, Mary R to Blueberry Island LLC, 4/28, \$800,000

72 Clark Hill Rd, Smilovich, Michael and Smilovich, Lauren to Mayaka, Charles and Kanelowsky, Ashley, 4/26, \$395,000

72 E High St, T&O Enterprises LLC to G&I Realty LLC, 4/26, \$825,000

81 Main St, Great Jake LLC to T&O Enter-prises LLC, 4/29, \$290,000

103 Mott Hill Rd, Schleidt, Jeffrey W to Styles, Hunter and Kowasz, Erica, 4/28, \$295,000

EAST HARTFORD

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34 Gaines Dr, Hudson, Gary E and CT Hsgn Fin Authority to CT Hsgn Fin Authority, 4/25, \$152,399

37 Curtiss St, Chambers Jr, Michael to Martinez, Joseph A, 4/28, \$235,000
53 Baltic St, Reynolds, Othniel C and Reynolds, Kadesh G to Washington, Nordia, 4/27, \$217,000

73 Stafford St, Diaz, Rafael and Diaz, Iris to Reyes, Reinaldo, 4/26, \$208,000

87 Coolidge St, Rodriguez Elizabeth Est and Rodriguez, John to Scarlett Res Prop LLC, 4/27, \$117,000

107-109 Brown St, Betancourt, Milvette to Rodriguez, Beverly A, 4/28, \$220,000

115-117 Baltimore St, Rozenshteyn, Eugene to Dillon, China, 4/29, \$225,000

116-118 Adelaide St, Rogoz, Adolfo E to Granston, Huey, 4/28, \$335,000

161 Harold St, ElKay Equities LLC to Bates, Jeanne, 4/26, \$220,000

181-183 Hillside Ave, CGA Realty LLC to 181 Hillside LLC, 4/28, \$300,000

196-198 Homestead Ave, Hartford Land Bank Inc to Renzo LLC, 4/27, \$30,000

248 Vine St, Baxter, Barbara to Chambers-Haynes, Stephanie and Mcleish, Dalton, 4/28, \$49,900

257 George St, Melmedovic, Mirzet to Boodram, Miguel J and Gonzalez, Ashley, 4/29, \$260,000

257 Vine St, Baxter, Barbara to Chambers-Haynes, Stephanie and Mcleish, Dalton, 4/28, \$49,900

267 Vine St, Grant Jr, Edgar to Saeteros, Ramon and Humberto-Buestan, Luis, 4/28, \$141,000

479-481 Edgewood St, Robles, Sean E and Robles, Mario A to Guriano, Vincent, 4/29, \$259,900

KENT

121 Kent Cornwall Rd, Kennedy Olga C Est and Kennedy, Jeffrey D to Love, Claire H and Potter, Justin, 4/25, \$1,400,000

KILLINGLY

30 Green Hollow Rd, Spijodick, Hajro and Spijodick, Valida to Holmes, Linda C and Holmes Jr, Peter, 4/28, \$344,500

43 Ware Rd, Gervais, Michael R to Giard, Sam and Mullen-Torrey, Alyssa, 4/26, \$260,000

52 Picabo St, Stepalavich, Martin A and Stepalavich, Susan R to Verville, Ronald E and Verville, Brenda M, 4/27, \$320,000

111 Breakneck Hill Rd, Mazzarella, Barbara to Harvey, Thayne A, 4/26, \$124,000

825 N Main St, Gardner, Carolyn to Hamilton, Anthony and Hamilton, Dianna, 4/27, \$327,000

KILLINGWORTH

9 Fox Run Ln, 9 Fox Run LLC to Levarek, Harold and Levarek, Louise, 4/29, \$765,000

11 Cooks Ln, Armstrong, Michael W and Armstrong, Nancy T to Mink, Justin and Mink, Shaina, 4/28, \$515,000

62 Running Brook Dr, Schneider, Robert and Schneider, Deborah to Rembisz, Robert, 4/26, \$641,000

LEBANON

Lake Williams Campground Lot 5A, Karlon, Michael P and Karlon, Rhonda L to Riopel, Kenneth W and Dibble, Holly A, 4/26, \$65,000

Trumbull Hwy, Hallquest, C Gunnar to Northrop, James H, 4/28, \$55,000

6 Camp Mowen Rd, Major, Alan M to Coit, Monica, 4/26, \$330,000

241 Lebanon Ave, Sobczyk, Damian A to Taylor, Melanie and Taylor, Brian P, 4/25, \$385,000

927 Trumbull Hwy, Condit, Christopher M and Condit, Cara J to Shilstone, Mark and McLaughlin, Heather, 4/29, \$530,000

LEDYARD

6 Allen Ave, Young, Timothy W and Young, Alexandria E to Mosier, Debra K and Mosier, Rodney L, 4/25, \$259,000

10 Autumn Way, Mount Kineo Builders LLC to Azeem, Fouzal and Esguerra, Natalie, 4/27, \$85,000

16 Hyde Park Dr, Ransom, Jeffrey W and Ransom, Erin R to Anderson, David J, 4/27, \$460,000

397 Coloned Ledyard Hwy, Howard, Caela and Whaley-Clark, Leslie to Markowitz, Alana and James, Gregory, 4/25, \$235,000

410 Coloned Ledyard Hwy, Osborne, Jonathan D to Pierce, Tyrone and Perry, Amy, 4/25, \$247,900

LISBON

15 Fitch Rd, Massey, Rachel D to Wagner, Robert W and Kelly, Michaela R, 4/27, \$300,000

49 Dogwood Dr, Whiteley Elfrieda Est and London, Gale to Davis, Matthew A, 4/29, \$185,000

LITCHFIELD

North St, Rose Haven Realty LLC to Belden House Holdings LP, 4/27, \$699,000

7 East St, Brown, Jodi L to Art Luxe Enterprises LLC, 4/25, \$995,000

401 E Litchfield Rd, Hallock, Amy L to Hamill, Whitney, 4/26, \$481,000

439 Maple St, Kelley C Seymour T and Seymour, Kelley C to Daly, Francis P and Daly, Vicki Z, 4/27, \$750,000

MADISON

Summer Hill Rd, Samuel C Lovejoy 3rd FT and Lovejoy, Laura T to Mecho, Arben, 4/26, \$400,000

9 Monroe Ln, Reichelt, Collin and Reichelt, Randy to Paduda, Christopher G and Jama-ludin, Nadhirah B, 4/26, \$505,000

11 Hotchkiss Ln, Loftus, Peter and Faber-Loftus, Christine E to Agovino, Eric M and Agovino, Moriah, 4/26, \$1,850,000

544 Opening Hill Rd, Mack, Timothy to Edgcomb, Courtney and Edgcomb, Patrick, 4/26, \$469,000

MANCHESTER

Bush Hill Rd, Shea Constance E Est and Shea, Brian to Randazzo, Joseph J and Duff, Sarah M, 4/20, \$180,000

5 Linmore Dr, Hayes, Mark to Drescher, Jennifer, 4/25, \$255,000

8 Oak Forest Dr Lot 2, Pallivathuckal, Joseph and Pallivathuckal, Catherine to Casey, Timothy M, 4/26, \$210,000

8 Woodbridge St, Correia, Blake to Thorpe, Malaine, 4/20, \$290,000

19 Bowers St, Luciano, Rosalie V and Hutchinson, Andrew N to Rubie, Cameta, 4/29, \$280,000

20 Tower Rd, King, Melissa E and King Jr, Tore S to Webb, Atina, 4/29, \$399,900

29 Bank St, Alco Investments V LLC to Digregorio, Tina, 4/26, \$283,000

31 Alice Dr, Nunez, Lourdes to Hart, Walter, 4/28, \$254,113

32 Foley St, Gorman, Todd W to Tapia, Carlos and Barrera, Raquel, 4/21, \$230,000

36 Thompson Rd Lot F, Deptula, Debra L to Selah Holdings LLC, 4/29, \$62,000

38 Jeffrey Alan Dr, Sutkowski, Marek and Sutkowski, Przemek to Real Est Reinvented LLC, 4/25, \$100,000

39 Marshall Rd, Whitham, Kelly A to Molyneux, Michelle A, 4/25, \$252,500

39 Tower Rd, Phillips, Mark J to Dao, Hang, 4/26, \$214,900

42 Benton St, Grant, Irene C to Romero, Willie A, 4/25, \$315,000

43 Esquire Dr Lot C, Brown, Judith J to Jacques, Nancy, 4/29, \$165,000

53 Waddell Rd, Alvarez, Araceli to Portes, Keissy and Singh, Navdeep, 4/28, \$285,000

66 Baldwin Rd, Gratton, Jason P and Allison, Bethanie M to Arndt, Daniel and Yantus, Thomas, 4/25, \$330,000

106 Stephanies Way, Universal Homes LLC to Khan, Alex and Chuny, Yoshoda, 4/29, \$389,900

110 Broad St, Savitski, Jessica M and Savitski, Theodore C to Longchase, James F, 4/28, \$237,000

129 E Eldridge St, Huynh, Long H to Mora, Edna L, 4/25, \$290,000

135 Hartford Rd, Siegel, Gordon J and Breglia, Vincent G to Bergstrom, Karl and Buyers, Donna S, 4/26, \$635,000

167 E Center St, Taymil Ivy Manor LLC to

FMF CT5 Atasco LLC, 4/20, \$10,830,000

207 Timrod Rd, Michael, June M to Sackett, Brian, 4/25, \$320,000

226 Greenwood Dr, Dupre Lucille Y Est and Boudreau, David to Cauley, William D and Cauley, Deborah L, 4/27, \$285,000

251 W Center St, Hassan, Tamer and Keefe, Kristine to Acosta, Brandon M, 4/27, \$215,000

352 Hilliard St, Fowler, George and Fowler, Fernando F to Noumedor, Yawotse M, 4/25, \$255,000

449 S Main St Lot 92, Hopkins, Beatrix A to Carvalho, Enor D and Carvalho, Liege C, 4/29, \$210,000

449 S Main St Lot A91, Hamm Homes LLC to Tabtabai, Lisa A, 4/29, \$265,000

451 Vernon St, Oconnor, Kevin and Oconnor, Brittany A to Keenan, Thomas R, 4/28, \$435,000

455 Tolland Tpke, Mathieu Francoise A Est and Mathieu, Richard J to Lee, France J, 4/25, \$120,000

726 Bush Hill Rd, Pawloski, Walter to Fonki, Mercy F, 4/27, \$375,000

MANSFIELD

Echo Rd, Gunn, Bert to Rebecca A Shafer RET and Shafer, Rebecca A, 4/27, \$110,000

22 Beech Mountain Cir, Kopec Eileen M Est and Kopec, Janice M to Bane, John M and Bane, Erin C, 4/28, \$287,500

42 Timber Dr, Tang, Young and Luo, Yan to Kuang, Ya C and Yu, Chui H, 4/25, \$330,000

405 Mulberry Rd, Guyette, Kenneth and Guyette, Ken J to Carroll, William and Carroll, Mayra A, 4/26, \$518,000

514 Chaffeeville Rd, Blais, Heather E and Blais, Adam M to Manzotti, Taft, 4/28, \$459,000

MARLBOROUGH

8 Myrna Dr, Warstock Glen B Est and Barber, Kenneth W to Coleman, David, 4/27, \$105,250

52 S Stonybrook Dr, Difronzo Sr, Rocco A and Difronzo, Carol A to Mcneil, Kevin J and Mcneil, Danielle, 4/29, \$359,000

MERIDEN

6 Shore Dr, Foss-Rugan, Nicole M and Foss-Rugan, Anthony A to Hai nye, Michaela, 4/27, \$288,000

13 Pine Tree Rdg, Principal Properties LLC to Tommaselli, Joseph and Timmaselli, Jennifer C, 4/28, \$285,000

18 N 2nd St, Veneziano, Sandra L to Rosado, Pedro J, 4/25, \$200,000

20 Russell Rd, Krizo, David E to Lovely, Joshua A and Strillacci, Lauren B, 4/26, \$280,000

21 Winthrop St, Le, Ni T to Blackwell, Jimi, 4/27, \$299,900

29 Hillwood Ln, Marchetti, Robert A to Nuzzi, Tiffany, 4/26, \$290,000

43 Metacomt Dr Lot 43, Lawler, Kathleen E to Backus, Kelly and Backus, Harold C, 4/25, \$187,500

44 Mattabasset Dr Lot 44, Kerr, George H to Dasilva, Samuel and Dasilva, Paul, 4/28, \$238,000

45 Elmwood Dr, Beliveau, James A and Beliveat, Margaret A to Gomez-Melo, Rene F and Degomez, Madeline P, 4/26, \$340,000

52 Charles St, Hawkins, Anthony L to Demir, Lorie, 4/29, \$222,500

52 Corrigan Ave, Parillo, Vincezo and Parillo, Caterina to Escolastico, Alpha Y, 4/25, \$200,000

81 Hampshire Ct, Boylan, Thomas W to Miranda, Angel and Miranda, Angela, 4/29, \$156,000

83 Sperry Ln, Rousseau-Gianette, Jerilyn to Carafeno, Christopher, 4/28, \$320,000

171 Crown St, Rubicon Realty LLC to Cortz, Miguel, 4/26, \$215,000

306 Knob Hill Rd, Rivas, Efraim M and Martinez, Yamilzeo to Garcia, Elizabeth and Arguello, Jose J, 4/27, \$290,000

525 Crown St, Cquisitions 2nd, Meriden to Premier Realty Group CT, 4/25, \$302,000

525 Crown St, 73 Quinipiac Street LLC to Premier Realty Group CT, 4/25, \$145,000

525 Crown St, 127 George Street LLC to Premier Realty Group CT, 4/25, \$198,000

525 Crown St, Aguirre, Juan to Colony Plaza LLC, 4/25, \$73,000

581 Crown St Lot 83, Aguirre, Juan to Colony Plaza LLC, 4/25, \$73,000

749 Broad St, Ventura, Julia to Tull, Nicole I, 4/26, \$252,000

MIDDLEBURY

77 Skyline Dr, Marano T and Marano, Marlon V to Garthwait, Jesse M and Garthwait, Jessica L, 4/25, \$490,000

MIDDLEFIELD

67 Lake Rd, Iannucci Richard W Est and Pragano, Rosemarie to Brettschneider, Debra B and Moberg, Theodore, 4/25, \$272,000

MIDDLETOWN

34 Wall St, Bonamico, Frank and Bonamico, Maria to Bonamico, Angelo and Bonamico, Christine, 4/25, \$250,000

50 Connery Rd, Fuller, Lori L to Martin, Carly and Santostefano, Rachel, 4/26, \$250,000

116 Rising Trail Dr Lot 116, Boyles, James S to Pandolfi, Amy L and Pandolfi, Paul, 4/25, \$195,000

565 Newfield St Lot 32, Czapiaga, Jeannine A to Traverzo, Miguel A, 4/26, \$226,500

MILFORD

85 Viscount Dr Lot 4A, Gintant Walter C Est and Slavin, Barry to Eng, Gee P and Lahani-er-Eng, Isabelle G, 4/26, \$307,500

MONROE

31 E Maiden Ln, Rogo, Vilma V and Rogo, Albert O to Lukas, Colleen T and Lukas, Foster A, 4/29, \$420,000

48 Country Ridge Dr, Runko, Paul and Runko, Tracy to Vitti, Matthew and Vitti, Megan, 4/26, \$710,000

MONTVILLE

7 Sandpiper Ln, Dickerman, Matthew F and Dickerman, Kristen to Desantos, Karen L, 4/25, \$365,000

50 Glendale Rd, Edwards, Tony D to Galvez, Fernando X, 4/28, \$230,000

60 Fitch Hill Rd, Gorman, David M and Gorman, Judith M to Ooka, Paul, 4/27, \$335,000

167 Route 161, Wood, John J to Young, Timothy W and Young, Alexandria, 4/29, \$334,000

NAUGATUCK

15 Peppermill Ct, Ortiz, Daniel L to Owens, Melind L, 4/29, \$327,000

23 Wild Cherry Dr, Kurutan, Sedat A to Dukes, Keyonda, 4/25, \$506,000

26 Wintergreen Ln, Morgan Development Co to Valdez, Cosme D, 4/29, \$379,900

40 Manners Ave, L&P Ponce LLC to Williams, Liliana S, 4/26, \$259,000

41 Trout Brook Dr, Sheryl L Parrella T and Parrella, Sheryl L to Ellis, Amy S, 4/26, \$345,000

59 Melbourne St, Barriga, Patrick to Ertl, Allyson L and Swanson, Bryan W, 4/26, \$260,000

79 Irving St, Doback, James C and Doback Jr, Charles to Vinca, Ismail, 4/25, \$255,500

121 Phoenix Ave, Persaud, Indira and Parbhu, Tricia E to Gonzalez, Nancy C and Castanaza, David, 4/26, \$390,000

169 Bluebird Dr, Maldonado, Evaristo to Hernandez, Jessica E and Hernandez, Efrain, 4/25, \$320,000

707 Rubber Ave, Zimmermann, Carl J to Xavier Property LLC, 4/25, \$230,000

721 Andrew Mountain Rd, Lauf Thomas Est and Lauf, Debra to Hill, James, 4/26, \$170,000

1087 May St, Chaudhary, Vikramjit and Chaudhary, Jessica to Liu, Jun and Shen, Yanfeng, 4/27, \$621,000

NEW BRITAIN

27 Chapman Ct, Contreras, Sergio to Roman, Daniel, 4/26, \$295,000

35 Wilna St, Slater, Patricia to Crespo, Monica C and Martinez-Gonzalez, K W, 4/25, \$195,000

45 Park Pl Lot 308, Marotta, Andrew to Wegrecka, Malgorzata, 4/26, \$97,000

45 Park Pl, Kosinski, Richard H to Levesque, Maurice R, 4/26, \$87,000

45 Wilcox St, Caban, Julio A and Caban, Priscilla to Medas, Kareem J, 4/25, \$275,000

64 Symco Dr, Barros, Manuel L to Carriles, Saturnino and Dilone, Elizabeth, 4/25, \$320,000

178 McKinley Dr, FNMA to Navarro, Jose E, 4/25, \$205,000

243 Lawlor St Lot 4C, Genovese, Joseph A to Fedora, Robert, 4/25, \$109,357

255 Pershing Ave, Pinnacle Dev Group LLC to Villa, Amarelys, 4/26, \$290,000

410 Farmington Ave Lot N1, Westberry, Brenda E to Amaro Jr, William A and Franco, Jocilyn N, 4/25, \$175,000

962 Corbin Ave, Equidental RE Group LLC to Pimentel, Eddy, 4/25, \$175,000

NEW CANAAN

22 Mill Rd, Wilson, Stephen and Wilson, Elizabeth to Damico, Alexander, 4/22, \$2,550,000

36 Comstock Hill Rd, Mooney, Whitney to Quinan, Brian and Quinan, Cara, 4/21, \$1,363,000

85 Locust Ave Lot 515, Devito, Diane to Dunlap, Thomas, 4/22, \$325,000

160 Park St Lot 102, M2 Partners LLC to Spatz, Martin and Spatz, Susan, 4/25, \$2,350,000

181 Parish Rd, Gaynor, Jayne to Edwards, Jonathan and Festa, Emily, 4/25, \$1,597,500

192 Park St Lot 6, Momenamy, Shaun to Macalinalo, Eugene, 4/21, \$325,000

215 Marvin Ridge Rd, Varvatos, Mary to Alberga, Robert, 4/25, \$1,725,000

681 Old Stamford Rd, Wagner, John and Wagner, Mary to Hovey, Katharine, 4/20, \$1,550,000

1196 Smith Ridge Rd, Ostling, Danita and Ostling, Paul to Genger, Sagi, 4/20, \$3,700,000

NEW FAIRFIELD

4 Brush Dr, Memon Investments LLC to Jordan, Patrick and Dolcimascolo, Gianna L, 4/26, \$250,000

6 Darien Rd, Ayala, Monica to Alper, Naomi, 4/27, \$385,000

8 Sunswep Dr, Pitka, Timothy to Heather H Bernatchez T and Mineo, Josephine J, 4/29, \$1,195,000

11 Squantz View Dr, Dickey, David M and Dickey, Maria R to Muqaj, Enver, 4/28, \$540,000

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STAFFORD
13 Rockwell Rd, Snyder, Richard A and Snyder, Laura R to Blair, Theresa and Aab, Kai, 4/26, \$350,000

14 School St, Bissonnette, Todd to Leitgeb, Zofia W and Leitgeb, Edward J, 4/28, \$275,000
43 Grant Ave, Colburn Enterprises LLC to Stringfield, Colby M, 4/28, \$159,000
44 Tolland Ave Lot 16, Pertesis, Elisabeth E to Babigian, Christopher J and Oramas, Rebecca, 4/28, \$135,000
109 Hampden Rd, FNMA to Hansen, Jared and Chang, Ji W, 4/27, \$265,000
262 Hydeville Rd, Arute, Robert to Willett, Andrew and Niger, Megan, 4/21, \$55,000

STAMFORD
1 Broad St Lot 10F, Madkaiars, Mayur and Kamat, Mrudula to Hunt, Roger L and Hunt, Patricia A, 4/25, \$485,000
3 Juniper Hill Rd, Grunberg, Michael to Neuwirth, Alexander and Neuwirth, Madalyn, 4/26, \$194,300
6 Bon Air Ave, Maloney, Philip D and Evans, Catherine K to James, Thomas G and Goldberg, Lauryn, 4/26, \$803,000
9 Maple Tree Ave Lot B4, Mihovics, Alana E to Gaete, Stephanie, 4/29, \$355,000
19 Beal St, Coppola, Franco and Coppola, Rita to Noor, Mohammed N, 4/26, \$600,000
22 McIntosh Ct, Gendason, Ari and Cooper, Helaine M to Powers, John and Powers, Chris A, 4/26, \$737,000
30 Field St, Mallozzi, Andoneta S to 965 Hope LLC, 4/25, \$530,000
36 Field St, Mallozzi, Andoneta S to 965 Hope LLC, 4/25, \$530,000
38 High St, 38 High Street Corp LLC to Rahman, Md M, 4/26, \$485,000
40 Dads Ln, Powell, Brian T and Powell, Lindsey T to Concors, Erica G and Chang, Tristan, 4/27, \$750,000
44 Pleasant St Lot 12, Symons, Mark and Vitale, Mary to Choi, Jangian and Pauli, Hilary, 4/26, \$450,000
45 Belltown Rd, Bryson, Robert D to 45 BTR LLC, 4/26, \$460,000
49 Euclid Ave, Pugliese, Elizabeth to Twardowski, Damian, 4/25, \$800,000
53 Cogswell Ln, Pollack, Debra W and Pollack, Stephen to Roberts, Lawrence S and Roberts, Diana R, 4/25, \$1,518,000
70 Dyke Ln, Uva, Teodoro T to 70 Dyke 2 Lane LLC, 4/29, \$1,200,000
70 Strawberry Hill Ave Lot 1-2A, Kolenovic, Allen to Acuria, Carmen, 4/25, \$293,000
89 5th St, Shafiro, Alexander and Shafiro, Michelle to Pianki, Daniel and Kragt, Laura, 4/25, \$751,500

91 Strawberry Hill Ave Lot 839, Begetis, Eleni to Fuscaldo, Kari, 4/29, \$210,000
100 Toms Rd, Rullman, Donald H and Rullman, Rosemary L to Bavarian, Joubin and Purcell, Conner M, 4/25, \$868,000
101 E Hunting Ridge Rd, Brody, Sheila H to Pellicano, Donna and Pellicano, Robert, 4/29, \$850,000
126 Summer St Lot 3D, Bedard, Douglas J and Bedard, Elizabeth G to Maracallo, Rafael, 4/25, \$156,500
130 Edward Pl, Beutler, Heidi S and Beutler, Harri to Ariyeh, David S and Spitzer, Mihal H, 4/26, \$855,000
185 Courtland Ave, Mallozzi, Andonetta S and Mallozzi, Andoneta S to 965 Hope LLC, 4/25, \$795,000
188 Intervale Rd, Lasalandra Jr, Michael J and Lasalandra, Frank P to Sukcik, Barbara and Sukcik, Andrzei, 4/26, \$875,000
189 Southfield Ave, Colandro, Daniel J and Colandro, Amy to Ente, Karin E and Baumann, Stephen W, 4/25, \$660,000
193 Courtland Ave, Mallozzi, Andonetta S and Mallozzi, Andoneta S to 965 Hope LLC, 4/25, \$795,000
199 Courtland Ave, Mallozzi, Andonetta S and Mallozzi, Andoneta S to 965 Hope LLC, 4/25, \$795,000
201 Cascade Rd, Pavlov, Konstantin and Pavlov, Patricia to Jiang, Hao and Chen, Metta, 4/27, \$1,550,000
215 Eden Rd, Ferrone, Allan and Ferrone, Erin to Hanna, Elie, 4/29, \$720,000
237 West Ln, Perl, Daniel B and Perl, Leah F to Berman, Keith and Berman, Lara, 4/26, \$1,500,000
850 E Main St Lot 209, Yinti, Deepa S and Yinti, Deepak to Calcetero, Pedro L and Arango, Maria R, 4/27, \$405,000
950 Cove Rd Lot B8, Alterman, Adam to Jasinski, Ewelina, 4/25, \$275,000
1125 E Main St, Blue Hills Fuels LLC to Exit 9 Land LLC, 4/29, \$5,637,000
1226 E Main St, Ginolfi, Mariilyn G and Gedney, Paula C to Carousel Balloons LLC, 4/29, \$333,333
2289 Bedford St Lot H7, Davanzo, Lynn S to Yang, Jun and Zhang, Jianchao, 4/28, \$405,000

STONINGTON
45 Pawcatuck Ave, Moffett Jr, William W to Moffett Jr, William W, 4/27, \$161,500
45 Pawcatuck Ave, William W Moffett Jr LT and Moffett Jr, William W to 491 LLC, 4/28, \$289,000

STRATFORD
10 Hancock St Lot 1, Salce, Gary and Salce, Barbara to 10 Hancock Street LLC, 4/26, \$151,295

10 Hancock St Lot 3-4, Salce, Gary and Salce, Barbara to 10 Hancock Street LLC, 4/26, \$353,755
10 Hancock St Lot 5, Unit 5 LLC to 10 Hancock Street LLC, 4/26, \$253,410
10 Hancock St Lot 2, Salce, Gary and Salce, Barbara to 10 Hancock Street LLC, 4/26, \$341,540
12 Algonquin Ln Lot A, Johnson, Sharon M to Papp, Alexandru, 4/25, \$340,000
35 Cedar St, Moran, Ryan and Moran, Elizabeth to Pine, Eric M, 4/27, \$500,000
45 Bowe Ave, 45 Bowe Ave LLC to Gonzalez, Gustavo, 4/25, \$450,000
60 Barrows Ter, Bongiovani, Anthony and Tedesco, Teri to Jones, Sean and Jones, Farah, 4/29, \$405,000
86 Holmes St, Violante, Anthony F and Violante, Monica A to Rose, Lelleshia and Brown, Christopher, 4/26, \$295,000
107 Fairview Ave, Jerry, Ira D and Franklin, Eureka R to W&Z Fly Property LLC, 4/27, \$448,000
125 Warner Hill Rd Lot 45, R Meglio 2011 IRT and Daly, Brendan F to Youngberg, Kristen, 4/27, \$200,000
133 Hollywood Ave, Ali, Neil K and Ali, Mariana R to Luc, Richard and Lue, Sandra, 4/25, \$380,000
143 Graham St, Ortiz, Elba I to Zuna, Danny X, 4/29, \$230,000
156 Sunflower Ave, Judge, Neil D and Judge, Mary A to Johnson, Rawle and Johnson, Pearl, 4/26, \$450,000
165 Bison Ln Lot B, Julianna M Lumento RET and Lumento, Julianna M to Hohl, Jeffrey and Hohl, Raeanne, 4/27, \$441,000
167 Anson St, Yelmini, Ian and Quistorff, Julie to Doucette, Connor Q, 4/28, \$550,000
192 Peace St, Iannucci, Pamela and Iannucci, Sabrina to Mendez, Gary A and Duverge, Yinat L, 4/29, \$339,900
208 Jamestown Rd Lot 208, Szepesi, Barbara R to Palmieri Jr, Augustine J and Castella, Maroula L, 4/27, \$315,222
240 Rockwell Ave, Grosso Rose M Est and Grosso, Joseph P to Concors, Rosa, 4/29, \$165,000
295 York St, Lisk, Douglas K and Lisk, Eunice A to Nicholson, William and Nicholson, Andrea, 4/28, \$605,000
302 Hollister St, Castellanos, Byron A to Medina, Javier R, 4/28, \$304,900
355 Lordship Rd, Mcnamara Brian T Est and Mcnamara, Paul E to Skibia, Darryl M, 4/26, \$280,000
395 Housatonic Ave, Tesla, Lorraine A to Smith, Amanda K, 4/29, \$195,000
513 Opa Ln Lot A, Kazian, Edward H and Onoroque Vlg Condo Assn to Orio, Wayne, 4/28, \$172,000
772 North Trl Lot A, Andrade, Joao to Georgalas, Melanide, 4/27, \$429,900
938 Stratford Ave, Lentz, Maxwell C to Connell, Amanda M, 4/26, \$325,000
3933 Main St, Gerwien, James F to Bunsie, Trishanna N, 4/27, \$341,000

SUFFIELD
Taintor St, Leahey, William F to Miller, Jason, 4/26, \$614,138
4 Cherry Brook Ln, Macari, Gerald R to Trask, Ryan and Trask, Megan, 4/28, \$1,100,000
24 Brandywine Ln Lot 24, Perakes, Daniel S and Matejcek, Jean I to Johnson, Robert and Roberts, Julia P, 4/28, \$175,000
88 Woods Hollow Rd, Arrington, Kristofer J and Arrington, Amanda K to Martin, Thomas V and Martin, Kyla P, 4/25, \$475,000
222 E Bass Ln Lot 222, Collil, Debra A to Bengston, Linda, 4/29, \$290,000
382 Halladay Dr, Lacapria, Vicki to Sliwak, Adam, 4/28, \$300,000
470 Hickory St, Dzhenzherukha, Vitaly to Kukharчук, Donna, 4/26, \$550,000

THOMASTON
59 Mason Hill Rd, Margison, Robert K to Chen, Bo Q and Chen, Xiuzhi, 4/25, \$251,000
99 Pine Hill Rd, Gardner, Michael F to Betterhaven LLC, 4/28, \$90,000

THOMPSON
County Home Rd, Perlmutter, Joel D to Greystone Farm Hldg LLC, 4/28, \$129,900
Wrightson Dr, Nadeau, Steven A to Srednicki, Susan A, 4/28, \$75,000
272 Ravenelle Rd, Laporte, Diane M to Perez, Danny and Mcmenemy, Lauren, 4/28, \$110,000

TOLLAND
19 Crestwood Rd, Garcia, Steven A to Stanse, Rachel and Stansel, Paul, 4/26, \$75,000
21 Crestwood Rd, Garcia, Steven A to Stanse, Rachel and Stansel, Paul, 4/26, \$600,000
27 Woodside Dr, Tomlen LLC to Pilla, Krishna K and Mamidibathula, Sri P, 4/25, \$330,500
140 Tolland Stage Rd, Niederwerfer, Karl M to JM Associates LLC, 4/25, \$260,000
760 Shenipit Lake Rd, Ventura, Hildeberto to Mathis, Maria, 4/26, \$260,000

TORRINGTON
8 Doman Dr, Falls, Michael E and Larkin, Sara M to Swaby, Paul, 4/25, \$116,000
27 Wedgewood Dr, Ramadani, Fanol to Charles, Delroy B and Yashin, Mollesa, 4/27, \$325,000
68 Irving Ave, Smith, Scott J to Mangual, Kevin, 4/25, \$240,000
218 Lafayette St, Hohensee Jr, Michael E to Dorrance Capital LLC, 4/25, \$11,000
341 Westside Ln, B&DRR LLC to Greenlaw,

Sean, 4/25, \$255,000
477 Evergreen Rd Lot 477, Fairchild, Linda D to Bernstein, Jordan F, 4/26, \$152,000
1335 Norfolk Rd, FNMA to Birmingham, Stephen J and Birmingham, Mary S, 4/27, \$63,860

TRUMBULL
14 Bayberry Ln, Sick, Bryan R and Ye, Bonnie to Shay, Christopher and Shay, Anne, 4/25, \$515,000
15 Cove Pt, Palmieri Jr, James J and Palmieri, Lisa M to Corbett, Nicola, 4/25, \$850,000
29 Hampton Rd, Carbone, Deise J to Santos, Emerson V, 4/28, \$440,000
41 Bailey St, A&A Matthews T and Buzel, Katherine A to Packnick, Tess and Packnick, Kyle, 4/26, \$530,000
67 Lance Cir, Schmidt Joan Est and Schmidt, Louis G to Ericson, Christopher and Ericson, Alan, 4/25, \$217,999
75 Craig Ln, Gipson Jr, Hayward R and Gipson, Derek A to Brenker, Rebecca and Flore, Steven, 4/26, \$450,000
179 Mayfield Dr Lot 179, Hauser Kathleen E Est and Singewald, Robert A to Breda, Doris, 4/28, \$365,000
271 Mayfield Dr Lot 271, Cohen Miriam Est and Reilly, Ellen to Gargano, Rosa and Gullotta, Antonina, 4/27, \$380,623

VERNON
6 Pleasant St, Meyer Jr, John J and Meyer, Katie A to Roleau, Amos, 4/12, \$120,000
14 Werner Dr, Mecca, Matthew and Mecca, Adria to Lopez, Leonard G, 4/12, \$165,000
29-1/2 Mountain St, Dumond, Derek R and Vatsassell, Bryn J to Serrano, Luis and Rivera, Jessica, 4/11, \$240,000

WALLINGFORD
7 Longview Ln, Adhate, Abhir and Adhate, Meredith to Padilla, Jordy, 4/29, \$426,000
11 Apple St, Joy, Brian to Wilbur, Betty J, 4/29, \$240,000
19 Docker Dr, Alling, James T and Alling, Mary E to Nwachukwu, Nonyelum N, 4/29, \$485,000
25 Welcome St, Dibiasi, June to Nodzowski, Mateusz, 4/25, \$205,000
42 Heritage Woods Lot 42, Joyce, Brigitte to Leite, Ana C, 4/27, \$220,000
43 Edgerton Rd, Lucania, Robert to Roberts, Marie S, 4/26, \$337,500
66 Hill Ave, Tyler, Timothy A to Dambrose, William P, 4/25, \$300,000
96 Willard Ave, Anderson, Sarah and Rivera, Edwin to Woodruff, Alice M, 4/28, \$315,000
530 Center St Lot A2, Stoehr, Brian to Salgado, Luis, 4/29, \$210,000
1175 Durham Rd, Austin, James F and Austin, Joyce G to Billings, Karen A and Billings, Michael R, 4/29, \$345,000
1185 Durham Rd, Saulis, Bryan E and Saulis, Rebecca M to Henry-Brown, Nyasha D and Henry-Brown, Alyster, 4/26, \$304,150

WARREN
Henderson Rd, Wodjenski, Michael J to Taylor, David S, 4/25, \$50,000

WASHINGTON
46 June Rd, Geurts, Dale to 46 June Road LLC, 4/27, \$5,600,000
53 2 Rod Hwy, Stirbl, Steven and Stirbl, Zaida to Brown, Deborah W and Brown, Michael S, 4/25, \$112,000

WATERBURY
Scott Rd Lot 150, Mayer, Lisa and Damiana, Stacie L to Gilland, Jose J, 4/29, \$450,000
Scott Rd Lot 351, Gugliotti, Robert F and Gugliotti, Migdalia to Derienzo, Christina, 4/25, \$215,451
9 Irvington Ave, Losty, Erin M to Rodney, Reynaldo, 4/26, \$260,000
11 Olympia Ln, Schmookler, Avrohom A and Schmookler, Sara to Metz, Dennis, 4/28, \$375,000
12 Deervood Ln Lot 2, Mcgrath, Lindsay to Masood, Summra, 4/26, \$115,500
16 Fiske St, Sandoval, Jose J to Lieber, Yakov, 4/27, \$510,000
34 Theroux Ave, Guisto, Maria to Morel, Roy, 4/26, \$200,000
40 Terrace Ave, El, Ahlam to Betterhaven LLC, 4/27, \$155,000
42 Cardinal Ln, Rodriguez, Teresa to Ma, Charles, 4/26, \$216,000
43 Rosengarten Dr, Michel, Charles to Carrington, Melissa, 4/26, \$275,000
45 Deervood Ln Lot 7, Morettini, John to Maldonado, Manuel and Maisonet, Carmen, 4/28, \$115,000
46 Cushman St, Pronovost, Paula A to Morris, Jared D and Hazel, Alicia, 4/25, \$199,900
52 Alder St, Theriault, Theresa M to Betterhaven LLC, 4/27, \$135,900
60 South St, Tucepattela, Cruz A and Coloti, Nicolas A to Clarke, Kelvine J and Clarke, Kimesha, 4/29, \$272,100
68 Oakleaf Dr, Sandt, Allan C to Bilotta, Carmine J, 4/25, \$220,000
68 Wildemere Ave, FHLM to Jalaludin, Amina, 4/26, \$130,501
83 Kendall Cir, Perez, Angel to Munyoro, Tatenda, 4/26, \$240,000
85 Geddes Ter, Miller Street Prop LLC to Rampersaud, Kapil, 4/25, \$237,298
91 Wolcott St, Rivera, Severo I to Wilson, Thomas, 4/29, \$85,000
91 Wolcott St, Alvarado Jose F Est and Rivera, Severo to Wilson, Thomas, 4/29,

\$85,000
96 Newport Dr, Herreros, Keisha C and Herreros, Israel N to Medina, Eli S and Castillo, Anthony P, 4/27, \$285,000
99 Chestnut Ave, Morel, Anthony to Davila, Hassanies, 4/29, \$195,000
123 Wyoming Ave, Evon Mary E Est and Dumaine, Debra to Savage, Nicholas D, 4/25, \$120,000
133 Middlesex St, Pina, Angel to Espeut, Oryiane and Wright, Rashow, 4/28, \$235,000
182 Stonefield Dr Lot 5-4, Sadlon Properties LLC to Cardero, Yeny, 4/29, \$140,000
217 Orange St, Crespo, Eddy to Ramtakah, Venu and Ramtakah, Shantie, 4/25, \$215,000
252 Oak St, T&O RE Dev Group LLC to Foster Realty LLC, 4/26, \$200,000
256 N Harker Ave, Norfllet Mary E Est and Mcdaniel, Haysteen to Cortes, Jose and Cortes, Norma, 4/27, \$199,000
335 Raymond St, Porter, Kimberly A to Preferred Choice Rlty Grp, 4/29, \$100,000
419 Farmington Ave, Brass City Homes LLC to Clarke, Andre, 4/26, \$280,000
541 Willow St, Brach, Malky to Soibelman, Aryeh S and Schick, Batшева, 4/29, \$450,000
548 Willow St, Villaluz Jose R Jr Est and Villaluz, Olivia S to Abrams, Nicole, 4/27, \$386,000
578 Wilson St, Derienzo 3rd, James A and Derienzo, Joseph to Stewart, Joel T and Benjamin, Chiron, 4/26, \$260,000
815 E Main St, Graham Holdings LLC to 813 E Main St LLC, 4/29, \$550,000
1448 Meriden Rd Lot 16, Lozada, Amanda to Buceta, Juan A and Buceta, Lucia N, 4/27, \$120,000

WATERFORD
Dunbar Rd, Savard, Andrev J to Kravitz, Anita, 4/26, \$303,000
Soljer Dr, Dyer, Bonny S to Ewing, Brenton L, 4/26, \$51,000
5 Jordan Ter, Warner, Bradley J to Oconnor, Joseph K, 4/26, \$412,000
12 River St, Brockett Properties LLC to Nantic Partners LLC, 4/25, \$1,000,000
19 Brill Ave, Burdick, Lori J and Burdick, Randy A to Ferri, Michaela J, 4/27, \$310,000
196 Butlertown Rd, Littlefield FT and Littlefield, Everett R to Harper, Carla D, 4/26, \$384,900
310 Boston Post Rd Lot 21, Marchant 2nd, Kevin I to Joy, Debra C, 4/25, \$163,000

WATERTOWN
47 Edith St, Lindberg, Michael E and Lindberg, Linda to Draskinis, Ryan, 4/28, \$242,500
51 Deer Run Rd, Dickinson, Brett and Dickinson, Erin to Makarewicz, Joshua S and Makarewicz, Heather M, 4/28, \$590,000
196 Bayview Cir, Brown, Aaron M and Brown, Amber L to Gardino Jr, Anthony D and Gardino, Kelly A, 4/27, \$650,000
245 Cherry Ave Lot B12, Ferreira Ann M Est and Freilheit, John C to Adams, Tina, 4/29, \$170,000
272 Buckingham St, Barton, Stephen R and Barton, Ewelina N to Nunes, Leandro C, 4/25, \$191,500
297 Bayview Cir, Gardino Jr, Anthony D and Gardino, Kelly A to Brown, Aaron M and Brown, Amber L, 4/27, \$1,025,000
514 Bassett Rd, Caligiuri, Saverio to Caico, Gaetano and Caico, Lacey, 4/27, \$355,000
673 Main St, Tooker, Sandra L to Reynolds, Jorah and Fasano, Jan, 4/27, \$162,000

WEST HARTFORD
5 Bishop Rd Lot 307, Kathleen E Casper T and Noli, Nancy to Qi, Irene A and Son, Luning, 4/26, \$375,000
20 Coolidge Rd, Housesold Real Estate LLC to Carroll, Riley and Soucy, Madison, 4/28, \$355,000
25 Sherwood Rd, Fleischmann, Andrew and Fleischmann, Caroline S to Sundar, Banu, 4/26, \$399,000
25 Stoneham Dr, Cohen, Edward A and Cohen, Naomi M to Mandel, Naomi and Mandel, Raphael, 4/27, \$435,000
34 Schoolhouse Dr Lot 202, Clafflin, Kylene-rie D to Salerni, Matthew, 4/29, \$220,000
49 Ferncliff Dr, Stanger, Linda to Lal Kamal T and Kamal, Mainsh, 4/26, \$675,000
54 Abbottsford Ave, Wang, Lei to Mendez, Ever S, 4/27, \$252,000
54 Gifford Rd, Simoneau, Scott M to Papanastassiou, Alexander and Quinn, Maureen, 4/25, \$365,000
81 Walden St, Teed, Barbara B to Greenwall, Andrew and Greenwall, Bowler, 4/28, \$826,000
98 Cliffmore Rd, Searls, Brian L to Watson, Evan A and Watson, Sarah, 4/28, \$717,400
121 Arundel Ave, J&B Remodelers LLC to Story, Edward R and Story, Helen L, 4/27, \$575,000
125 Washington Cir, Kokoszka, Deborah J to Suliman, Ahmed I and Suliman, Eveel F, 4/25, \$237,000
274 Ridgewood Rd, Sanches, Carolina G to Nana Homes LLC, 4/25, \$365,000
381 Quaker Ln S, Falkin, Elise A to Hassan, Samir I, 4/29, \$289,000
574 Mountain Rd Lot E, Martins, Angela to Rosario, Amor C, 4/25, \$300,000
590 Quaker Ln S, Ayala, Jorge and Ayala, Rosa S to Villarrubia, Giuliana M and Gomez Jr, Nicolas A, 4/25, \$310,000
890 Farmington Ave Lot 890, Sosa, Odovel to Drinan, Nathan R, 4/28, \$173,000
1045 New Britain Ave, Sousa Corp to 1049

New Britain Ave LLC, 4/25, \$187,500
1049 New Britain Ave, Sousa Investments LLC to Jascarr Partners LLC, 4/25, \$125,000

WEST HAVEN
14 Linda St, Opalenik, Michelle to Shiffer Jr, Todd W, 4/26, \$261,500
20 Bungalow Ln, GC 2024 LLC to Nesheiwat, Rheem, 4/29, \$400,000
26 Nonquit St, Feliciano, Anthony R and Feliciano, Twayna to Bedard, Phillip and Bedard, Nicole, 4/29, \$300,000
47 Prospect Ave, Miller, Mandy and Melillo, Ralph to Palombizio, April M, 4/29, \$410,000
53 Kaye Rd, Zullo, David W to Alii, Nadia, 4/25, \$172,000
53 Kaye Rd, Zullo Steven Est and Zullo, Debroah A to Alii, Nadia, 4/25, \$172,000
63 Contact Dr, Cilo, Janet to Quagliani, Christopher M, 4/28, \$125,000
66 California St, USA HUD to Casazola, Jonathan, 4/25, \$203,157
73 Wilson Ave, Peterson, Kristen to Morris, Laura, 4/25, \$292,000
79 Aircraft Rd, Makl, Douglas and Makl, Selena to Pollock, Reed A, 4/25, \$289,000
105 Hoffman St, Beimler, Jessica to Garcia, Hector G and Etrella-Gonzalez, Martha E, 4/28, \$230,000
107 Hickory St, Comerford, Brenda and Comerford, Owen J to Hattani, Joseph and Hattani, Jessica M, 4/28, \$330,000
110 Homeside Ave, Walton, Trena D and Gaye, Minnie P to Moore-Bush, Dora, 4/25, \$225,000
111 2nd Ave, Carrasco, Edgar to Delacruz, Theodore and Delacruz, Melissa, 4/26, \$300,000
111 Cooper Rd, Martino, Chau to Norjah-Stephenson, Alicia and Moore, Angela C, 4/26, \$299,000
115 Hemlock St, Portillo, Mario I to Liacx-aungma, Matilde and Guzhnay, Ryan J, 4/26, \$234,000
130 Arlington St, Zieff, Cathy S and Paquin, Roxanne M to Kandrach, Jennifer, 4/27, \$336,000
155 Bull Hill Ln Lot 305, Nasr, Nashid to Carrasquillo, Louis, 4/28, \$110,000
191 Dawson Ave, West River Property Mgmt to Thyndel, Doret, 4/26, \$299,000
208 Campbell Ave, Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc to Ahmed, Munir, 4/26, \$250,000
301 Savin Ave, Zarnowski, David to ZZ Power Equipment LLC, 4/27, \$100,000
375 Captain Thomas Blvd Lot 18, Harvey, Mary A and Mortgage Assets Mgmt LLC to Luo, Michelle, 4/25, \$190,01

WESTBROOK
133 Little Stannard Beach Rd, 133 Stannard LLC to Tonnotti, Joseph and Tonnotti, Faith, 4/29, \$495,000

WESTON
N/A, Kibby, Christina B and Kibby, Geoffrey A to Chunovic, Thomas and Chunovic, Janis B, 4/28, \$730,000
19 Thorp Dr, Shubb Lata Puri QPRT and Puri, Shubhinder to Ganguly, Ujjaini and Singh, Mayur, 4/29, \$1,150,000
47 Buttonball Ln, Kaushik, Somesh and Kaushik, Neeru to Pizzaro, Hugo and Tempesta, Francesca, 4/26, \$850,000
91 Georgetown Rd, Mixer, Michael and Dasilva, Jennifer to Regney, Matthieu and Regney, Jessica, 4/26, \$1,450,000

WESTPORT
Maple Ave N, Post Maple RE LLC to Sir 10 Maple North LLC, 4/20, \$1,840,000
5 Bowling Ln, Chen, Chao and Yang, Xiaomeng to Eki LLC, 4/20, \$770,000
5 Longview Rd, Durakis, Linda M and Green, William R to S Longview Holdings LLC, 4/19, \$3,999,000
20 Salem Rd, Morowitz, Amanda B and Morowitz, Brent A to Kalmakis, Jennifer and Kalmakis, Stephen, 4/21, \$1,899,000
348 Wilton Rd, Flaum, Stephen S to Brouard, Max and Lum, Jessica, 4/19, \$637,500

WETHERSFIELD
20 Town House Ln Lot 20, Tracie, Emily R to Lauszaks, Dori, 4/28, \$210,000
23 Garden St, Antonakos, Alexander J to Foster, Catherine M and Reynolds, Michael S, 4/28, \$52,900,000
24 Center St, Parker, Donna to May, Justin and Felton-Reid, Hilary, 4/25, \$427,000
34 Brookside Cir, Castillo, Rosa A to Dobson, Mark W, 4/27, \$229,000
78 Goff Brook Cir, Carbone, Michael R and Carbone, Katelyn A to Leblanc, Pamela A and Leblanc, David, 4/29, \$420,000
84 Judd Rd, Stiefel, Kyleigh to Pesino, Deina, 4/26, \$282,500
1412 Brook Rd, Robert W Alvord FT and Alvord, Robert W to Solano, Jonathan, 4/26, \$280,000
161 Valley View Dr, Lucille Z StGermain T and Stgermain, Lucille Z to Pidgeon, Matthew R, 4/29, \$390,000
332 Griswold Rd, US Property LLC to Krdzic, Imer and Krdzic, Minela, 4/25, \$395,000
1000 Ridge Rd, Holdredge, Russell C to Stanczy, Michael A and Stanczy, Natalie M, 4/26, \$405,000

WILLINGTON
Ruby Rd, L&M Property Holdings LLC to Charpentier, Allyson, 4/25, \$40,000
63 Schofield Rd Lot 34, Coelho, Fabricio and Coelho, Rita G to Todd Schneider Properties and BKB Properties LLC, 4/28, \$65,000

WILTON
13 W Church St, Coppola, David L and Coppola, Delia to Alvarado-Garcia, Guilmar and Vasquez-Guadalupe, Genesis, 4/27, \$485,000
37 Dudley Rd, Eason, Robert L and Porter-Easton, Genevieve to Mord, Julia and Mord, Benjamin, 4/26, \$1,455,000
47 Millstone Rd, Dixon Olivia H Est and Dixon, Alexandra M to Keating, Matthew and Keating, Katherine A, 4/25, \$600,000
523 Danbury Rd Lot 523, White, Fences to White Fences 2 LLC, 4/26, \$725,000
644 Danbury Rd, 644 Danbury Road LLC to 644 Dr LLC, 4/25, \$1,475,000

WINCHESTER
5 Hubbard St, Li, Danping to French, Michael D and French, Lorna A, 4/28, \$135,000
111 Riverton Rd Lot 21, Chamberlain, Tara S to Hazen, Tracey R, 4/25, \$138,000
157 Pratt St, Burgess, Justin to Smith, Dylan, 4/28, \$187,000

WINDHAM
16 Watson St, Zhang, Qihua to 16 Watson Street LLC, 4/25, \$200,000
31 Tunxis Ln, Berry, Travis to Schmidt, Dawn, 4/28, \$225,000
42 Gordon Ave, Marrotte, Mark T and Trombino, Christine to Ihome Investments LLC, 4/26, \$75,000
52 Southridge Dr, Mesick Rentals South LLC to Burger, Trudessa, 4/25, \$165,000
148 North Rd, Wyposol, Todd M and Wyposol, Jessica I to Green, Sidney S, 4/25, \$210,000
219 Back Rd, Manfreda Jr, Frank to Lake Marie Farm LLC, 4/27, \$105,000
241 Oakwood Dr, Dowty 3rd, William E and Dowty, Teri C to Mountzoures, Angelo, 4/28, \$235,000
283 Lewiston Ave, Herrick, Jordan M to Gonzalez, Yazmin, 4/28, \$252,000
283 Mansfield Ave, USA HUD to Maldonado-Zambrana, G and Rodriguez-Ventura, J I, 4/25, \$190,100

WINDSOR
33 Mechanic St Lot 302, Rogovich Anna Est and Rogovich, Blaise to Frisman, Linda K and Frisman, Paul, 4/26, \$251,000
33 Mechanic St Lot 303, Jepeal, Eric J to Gill, Mackenzie, 4/27, \$270,000
53 Eastview Dr, Kish, Kevin J and Walsh, Mary T to Manta, Eduardo J, 4/27, \$345,000
59 Merriman Rd, Salazar, Araceli R to Dara-bas, Alcimair L, 4/25, \$425,900
194 Eastwood Cir Lot 194, Allen, Sharon D to Rohde, Kurt, 4/27, \$222,500
200 Bloomfield Ave, Vacca, Paul A to Sabovic, Harris, 4/26, \$190,000
297 Conestoga St Lot 297, Bailey, Maria G to Teg RB Condos 2 LLC, 4/26, \$50,000
711 Old Village Cir, Village Builders LLC to Chaban, Christopher J and Chaban, Shelia, 4/25, \$320,302

WINDSOR LOCKS
Old County Storage Park Lot 412, Park Pl Storage Condo LLC to Agency Logistics Svcs LLC, 4/28, \$72,000
4 Hughes Ln, Duarte, Cynara M and Thorne, Karen to Yagmurkaya, Ali and Yagmurkaya, Nadiye, 4/26, \$270,000
39 Jackson St, Stanley Topor RET and Topor, Brian J to Addison, Kayla P, 4/26, \$247,000
75 N Main St, Bashunov, Alexander V and Alexander, Grace P to Guarino, Gary, 4/27, \$38,000
156 S Center St, Zuniga, Nathaniel to Malec, Alyssa, 4/26, \$156,400

WOODBIDGE
74 Milan Rd, Tek, Cenk and Tek, Ece to Qureshi, Aliza, 4/27, \$529,100
145 Peck Hill Rd Lot 8, Triple R Developers LLC to Mario, Luke C, 4/25, \$425,000
157 Peck Hill Rd, Olsen Built Homes LLC to Deniz, Engin and Deniz, Zeynep, 4/29, \$970,000

WOODBURY
6 Fawn Meadow Ln, Trofa Enterprises LLC to Trainor FT, 4/26, \$152,000
25 Atwood Rd, Galvin, Concetta M and Bank Of New York Mellon to Bank New York Mellon Tr, 4/26, \$235,000
35 Highpoint Rd, Querijero, Carolyn to Godoy, Javier and Jarabellina, Lidia, 4/28, \$524,900
133 Tuttle Rd, Warner, Thomas to Helm, Samantha, 4/26, \$508,000
1633 Main St N, 1633 Main St North LLC to PSE LLC, 4/28, \$865,000

WOODSTOCK
Oak Dr Lot B121, Fusco, Elma F to Shea, Kyle N, 4/25, \$30,000
Oak Dr, Fusco, Elma F to Shea, Kyle N

Figuring out if you can afford that new home

Fear of housing situation getting worse may tempt buyers before they're ready

By Tara Siegel Bernard
The New York Times

High inflation often translates to high anxiety, which is why many Americans are striving to lock in the cost of one of their most basic, most human needs: a home.

But with housing prices already at lofty levels and mortgage rates spiraling, many buyers may be tempted to jump in before they're ready — or because they fear the situation will only get worse.

"There is this psychological pressure of everything being uncertain," said Simon Blanchard, an associate professor at Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business who studies consumers' financial decision-making. That can make a necessity like housing feel concrete, he said.

"It might sound comforting to focus on the present and lock in this part of the budget," he said. "The danger is you might be creating vulnerability by leaving insufficient flexibility for later."

The national median price of existing homes was \$375,300 in March, up 15% from \$326,300 a year earlier, according to the National Association of Realtors. Rates on 30-year fixed mortgages were 5.10% for the week that ended April 28, up from 2.98% a year ago, according to Freddie Mac.

That has seriously eroded how much would-be buyers can afford: With a down payment of 10% on the median home, the typi-

cal monthly mortgage payment is now \$1,834, up 49% from \$1,235 a year ago, taking both higher prices and rates into account. And that doesn't include other nonnegotiables, like property taxes, homeowner's insurance and mortgage insurance, which is often required on down payments of less than 20%.

With inflation at a 40-year high and the cost of just about everything rising, it's easy to get caught up in the irrationality that has some buyers aggressively bidding up prices and skipping basic precautions, like a home inspection.

"There is a scarcity mindset right now," said Jake Northrup, a financial planner for young families in Bristol, Rhode Island. He said he and his wife had decided to wait a year and save more before buying a home of their own.

Some prospective buyers are doing the same but the market remains deeply competitive because of the country's chronically low supply of homes. That can lead to erroneous assumptions and bad judgment.

So before you hit the open-house circuit, it's time to assess not just what you can spend but what you should spend — and the potential costs down the road.

Do a budget review

Before you start scanning listings, it helps to have a solid understanding of what you can afford — and how different price points would affect your ability to save and spend elsewhere.

Some financial experts suggest working back-



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ward: Assume a minimum savings rate — say 15% or 20% for retirement, college savings and other goals — and account for all other recurring debts and expenses on a spreadsheet. Then play around with different home prices to see how they would influence everything else.

"The right mortgage amount isn't what you get preapproved for but what you can afford," Northrup said. "The No. 1 mistake I see when people buy a home is not fully understanding how other areas of their financial life will be impacted."

What is affordable will obviously vary by household, income, family size and other factors.

Government housing authorities have long considered spending more than 30% of gross income on housing as burdensome — a figure that arose from "a week's wages for a month's rent," which became a rule of thumb in the 1920s.

Adjust your expectations

The rise in interest rates means many people have had to rein in their price ranges. A family earning \$125,000 that wanted to

put down 20% and dedicate no more than 28% of its gross income to housing — roughly \$35,000 — could comfortably afford a \$465,000 home when the interest rate was 3%. At 5%, that figure shrinks to \$405,000, according to Eric Roberge, a financial planner and founder of Beyond Your Hammock in Boston. His calculation factored in property taxes, maintenance and insurance.

He generally suggests allocating a conservative share of household income — no more than about 23% — to housing but acknowledged that's difficult in

many places. "Our calculation for affordability doesn't change," Roberge said. "However, the big jump in rates changes what is actually affordable."

There are other considerations.

With many Americans moving from cities to larger spaces in the suburbs, you'll also need to consider how much more it will cost to run and furnish that home, for example, or how much extra you'll need to spend on transportation.

Cautiously approach an adjustable-rate mortgage

Adjustable-rate mortgages generally carry lower rates than fixed-rate mortgages for a set period, often three or five years. After that, they reset to the prevailing rate, then change on a schedule, usually every year.

The average interest rate for a 5/1 adjustable-rate mortgage — fixed for the first five years and changing every year after — was 3.78% for the week that ended April 28, according to Freddie Mac. It was 2.64% last year.

More buyers are considering adjustable-rate mortgages: They accounted for more than 9% of all mortgage applications for the week that ended April 22, double the share three months ago and the highest level since 2019, the Mortgage Bankers Association said.

But they're definitely not for everyone. "The typical borrower is someone who does not anticipate being in the property for a long time," said Kevin Iverson, president of Reed Mortgage in Denver.

If you know you're going to sell before your mortgage rate adjusts, it may be a suitable loan. But there's no telling what rates will look like in five years, and the sudden hit of higher rates pushed many borrowers to the brink during the financial crisis of 2008.

Be even more wary of so-called alternative financing which often lack typical consumer protections.

TREASURES

Cabinet looks like Horner style

By Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson
Tribune News Service

Q: I am trying to find information on this piece, which I recently inherited. I have looked on the internet and have gotten lots of suggestions, but I am looking for value and the actual identification of the piece. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

A: Unfortunately, this lovely and attractive early 20th century (circa 1910) curved glass china cabinet does not have strong clues. But it does have some echoes that can help us narrow down its origins. First, examine the piece for a label. The one we are hoping to find would read something like "R.J. Horner 61, 63, 69 W23rd Street N.Y."

Such a label would boost the cabinet's value significantly, but we do not think there is one here. Robert J. Horner established his furniture emporium on 23rd Street in Manhattan in 1886. He made and sold furniture to wealthy New Yorkers, but he did not ignore those of more moderate means. His advertising touted "first class and medium quality furniture."

He was known for his quarter-sawn tiger oak that was lavishly decorated with extensive bands or areas of shallow carvings coupled with 3D figures such as griffins, gargoyles, cherubs and mythological figures such as Atlas and caryatids. He was also known for using paw feet similar to the ones on the china cabinet in today's question.

The china cabinet also has bands of shallow carvings at the top of the columns located on either side of the door, but they are rather subdued compared to most of the shallow carvings found on signed examples of Horner furniture. There are also roaring animal heads (possibly griffins) on the crest and on the column



A maker's label would boost this cabinet's value significantly. COURTESY

capitals, but these too are a little subdued and not as full bodied as we might expect.

The crest has some rather restrained pierced tracery and a gadrooned sun crest that is very attractive, but again is a little less lavish than might be expected on Horner furniture.

In summation, all we can say is in the absence of a label, the piece appears to be in the style of Horner's furniture (probably from his medium quality line), but it might be by another maker copying Horner's successful style.

This is an above average curved glass china cabinet. If it is Horner, it was probably made after the 1904 fire that destroyed part of Horner's furniture factory but before he moved to 36th Street in

1913. The dates also work if someone else was inspired by Horner and made the piece.

At auction without a label the cabinet should sell in the \$1,000 to \$1,300 range and have an insurance replacement value of \$2,000 to \$2,500. A label would come close to doubling these figures.

Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson have written a number of books on antiques. Do you have an item you'd like to know more about? Contact them at Joe Rosson, 2504 Seymour Ave., Knoxville, TN 37917, or email them at treasures@knology.net. If you'd like your question to be considered for their column, include a high-resolution photo of the subject, which must be in focus, with your inquiry.

How a lone tenant is holding up a \$70 million condo deal

By Stefanos Chen
The New York Times

NEW YORK — Ahmet Nejat Ozsu won't budge.

For 15 years, he has lived in the same apartment — a one-bedroom with an enviable private deck on the top floor of a building on the Upper West Side.

So when a developer, the Naftali Group, bought the Manhattan building for \$70 million in June and told tenants that they had to move, Ozsu made plans to stay. He could not be swayed with a buyout offer of \$30,000, an eviction notice or even a \$25 million lawsuit that Naftali recently filed against him. In April, the new landlord placed an industrial air filter outside Ozsu's door, and the blower has been droning nonstop, driving him and his 13-year-old boxer mix, Penelope, up the wall.

Still, Ozsu won't move. "It's two things: I have the right to be here, and I have no place to go," he said.

The Naftali Group says Ozsu is angling for a seven-figure payout and has put its multimillion-dollar investment in limbo, setting off a landlord-tenant stalemate that is the stuff of legend in New York City real estate. But the pandemic has added a new twist: A renter protection enacted to prevent evictions during the crisis could help drag out the standoff for years.

Under normal circumstances, Ozsu, 52, might have already been evicted from the building at 215 W. 84th St. His apartment is not rent stabilized, and like many of his neighbors, he was on a month-to-month lease that the new landlord was not obligated to renew.

But until recently, Ozsu, a freelance software engineer, was unemployed. In January, Ozsu applied for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, a state program created during the pandemic to help tenants pay over-



Ahmet Nejat Ozsu, pictured April 7, is the last tenant who has not agreed to move out of his New York building. KARSTEN MORAN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

due rent. In most cases, a tenant cannot be evicted while their application is open. If Ozsu's request for aid is approved, he could be entitled to stay in the apartment for at least another year — time he says he'll need to build up savings from a job he began in March. Of the building's 128 apartments, just 16 still have occupants, said Y. David Scharf, chair of Morrison Cohen, a law firm representing the developer. Ozsu is the only tenant who has not agreed to move, he said.

Ozsu and Adam Leitman Bailey, his lawyer, believe that the air filter and a security camera recently installed in the hallway outside his apartment are bullying tactics.

Scharf said the air filter "is actually for his health and safety," although there wasn't active construction near the apartment during a recent visit.

"There has been no harassment, period, full stop," Scharf said, adding that there are several cameras in the building. The one near Ozsu's apartment was installed because of "general security issues," Scharf said.

Ozsu moved into an apartment in the building, called the Eagle Court, in 2006 on the recommendation of a friend. He landed

the coveted top-floor unit a year later, with its deck that overlooks the Upper West Side. His job as a software engineer helped him keep up with rising rents through the years. By October, however, Ozsu was unemployed, had depleted his savings and could no longer pay the \$3,350 rent on his 700-square-foot apartment.

Scharf said Ozsu was simply biding his time.

"Through counsel, he has made it clear he's holding out for a ransom of north of a million dollars," Scharf said.

Ozsu insists he is exercising his rights to stay in the apartment under the pandemic renter-relief program. Recently, he tried to pay back the roughly \$13,600 rent owed before the rental-assistance application was filed; the owner's legal team said it would reject the payment, according to court filings.

Ozsu said that shortly after the \$25 million suit was filed against him, he was offered around \$30,000 to leave the building but rejected it. Naftali Group declined to confirm the offer.

It's also a matter of principle, Ozsu said. "It's the defamation of my character — that's when I said, 'No, I'm going to fight this.'"

ASK THE BUILDER

Think before cutting cord

By **Tim Carter**
Tribune Content Agency

As luck would have it, just as I was starting to write this column, an email from Bill popped into my email inbox. He lives in Spokane, Washington, and shared a story about a recent visit to one of the big box stores that was cluttered with pallets of wares that had been hidden for months in storage containers anchored off Long Beach, California.

“I couldn’t help noticing all the many cordless tools,” Bill wrote. “It seemed like there were hundreds, all with little signs that said something like ‘Tool Only.’ I couldn’t help wondering about this trend in tools, and comparing it to what is apparently happening also in automobiles.”

Bill is older than I am by a few years, and he still owns plenty of power tools that have a 6-foot 120-volt power cord attached to them. I have many in my garage in excellent shape, and I’m so glad I do. If invited to sit down to lunch with a group of young-buck carpenters, I’d be the old goat sitting on an empty, overturned drywall mud bucket who would say: “Back in my day, we didn’t have cordless tools. We got along just fine.”

The inspiration for this column came from a sidebar discussion on one of my recent livestream video broadcasts. A viewer asked me to list the pros and cons of cordless tools and then asked me what I thought the future was for tradi-



These saws look comparable, but one might cost you far more money in the long run. **TIM CARTER**

tional corded power tools.

I’m old enough to remember seeing cordless tools enter the marketplace back in the 1980s. My best friend was my HVAC contractor. He bought a small cordless Makita drill outfitted with a nut driver that allowed him to drive hundreds of tiny self-tapping screws. I marveled at how he didn’t need to trip over a power cord while up on a step ladder. That little cordless drill/driver saved him lots of time.

As a carpenter and plumber, all my power tools were corded. The biggest concern I recall is making sure I didn’t cut through an extension cord. On a new construction site, mud-covered extension cords were something you just dealt with. That said, we always had power. The tools always worked. We never

had to wait for a battery to charge. Cold weather didn’t sap my saws of their strength.

I decided to do an honest comparison between corded and cordless tools. If ever there were a time to do it, it’s now. Inflation is raging and I don’t see it calming down anytime soon. My geology degree also is screaming at me. The war for raw materials for car, truck and tool batteries is going to heat up. This competition for the ingredients is most likely going to cause the price of cordless batteries to soar higher than a rocket headed to the moon.

When I collected myself to answer the viewer watching the livestream, I said: “You can’t beat cordless tools for convenience. You can use them without having to plug in a cord.” I

then hesitated to list other positive features of cordless tools. Why? I have this nasty habit of always looking at what things really cost you in the long run.

Days ago, I decided to do a fast price comparison between two normal 7 ¼-inch circular saws made by the same manufacturer. One was corded and the other one was cordless. The new corded saw cost \$144. The cordless saw, tool only, was \$159. You had to spend another \$147 to get two batteries, a charger and a soft-sided bag to transport all the gear. Using only your grade school math, you can see out of the box the cordless saw — job-site-ready — was over \$300. I went to the manufacturer’s website and read you can expect to recharge the battery up to 1,000 times. Using a cordless tool all day long

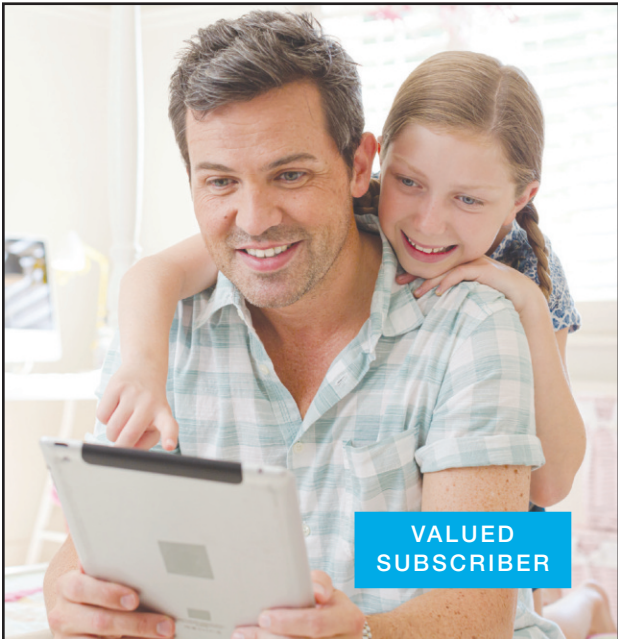
on a job site might have you charging the battery at least once or twice a day. It’s possible you could recharge a battery 450 times a year under heavy use.

If you wear out a battery and try to return it as a warranty claim, don’t try to fool the manufacturer by saying you only charged it 200 times or so. I’m reasonably certain hidden inside all cordless tool batteries are electronics that not only protect the battery during charging cycles but that also record how you use the battery, the number of recharge events, and all the particulars of the condition of the battery at the time it’s charging. I remember saying at a cordless tool editors conference years ago that the batteries were nothing more than spies. The tool representatives in the room didn’t disagree

and glared at me.

I then looked at the cost of replacement batteries. You’ll currently spend \$100 for one with a decent amp-hour rating. What’s that battery going to cost you in two, five or 15 years? Keep in mind, I have corded tools that are decades old that still work. What will you spend over time to ensure your power tool works?

Bill finished his email by saying he’s going to continue to trip over his cord. I intend to do the same thing, comforted by the fact that, when I bought my corded tool, I paid a one-time fee and will never have to spend more to keep it running so long as I care for it. It might be prudent for you to invest in a variety of high-quality corded power tools before they become extinct.



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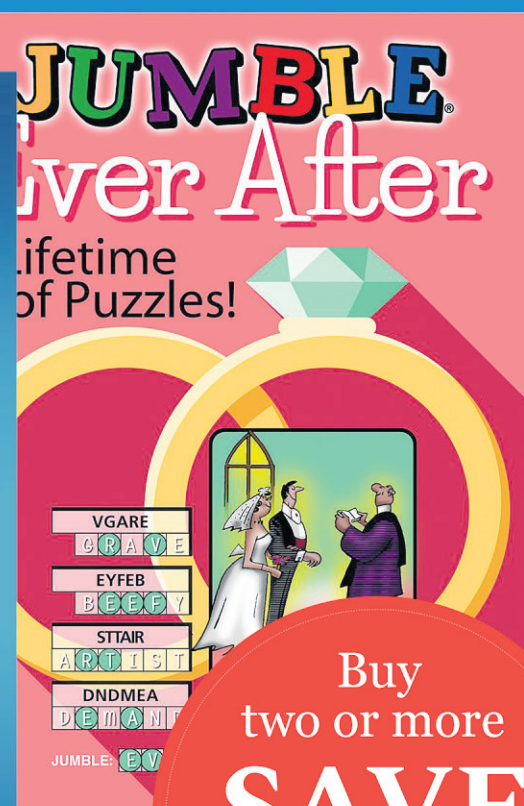
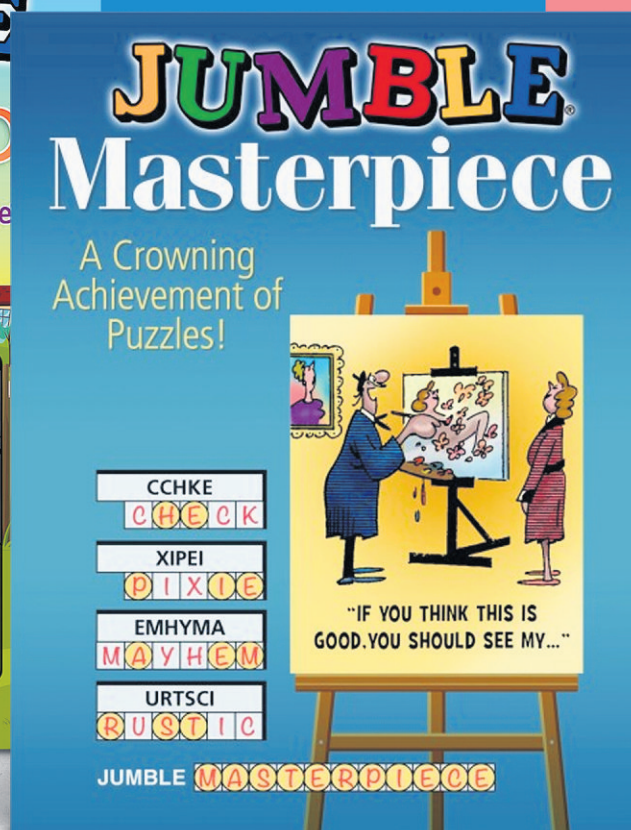
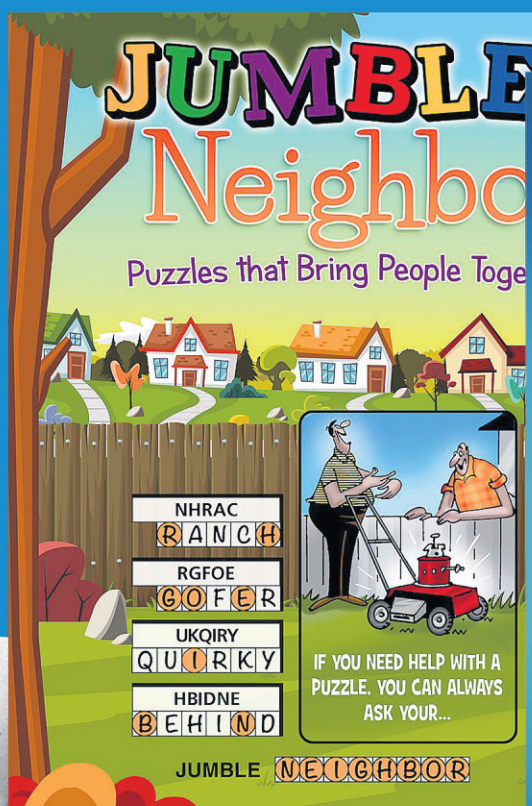
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As the world reopens to travel, destinations like Chioggia, Italy, a less-crowded alternative to nearby Venice, offer rewards beyond the usual tourist draws. Our list of ideas, 30 Places for a Changed World, begins on Page 10.

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Ready to Say Bon Voyage in a Big Way

With opportunities opening and travelers growing eager, the industry is looking for a significant rebound this year.

By The New York Times Illustrations by Ana Miminoshvili

AS GOVERNMENTS ACROSS the world loosen coronavirus restrictions and shift their approach to accepting Covid-19 as a manageable part of everyday life, the travel industry is growing hopeful that this will be the year that travel comes roaring back.

Travel agents and operators reported a significant increase in bookings early this year for the spring and summer seasons. The World Travel & Tourism Council (W.T.T.C.), which represents the global travel and tourism industry, projected that travel and tourism in the United States would reach prepandemic levels in 2022, contributing nearly \$2 trillion to the U.S. economy. The council also anticipated outbound travel from the United States would increase.

“Our latest forecast shows the recovery significantly picking up this year as infection rates subside and travelers continue benefiting from the protection offered by the vaccine and boosters,” said Julia Simpson, the president and chief executive officer of the W.T.T.C. “As travel restrictions ease and consumer confidence returns, we expect a welcome release of pent-up travel and demand.”

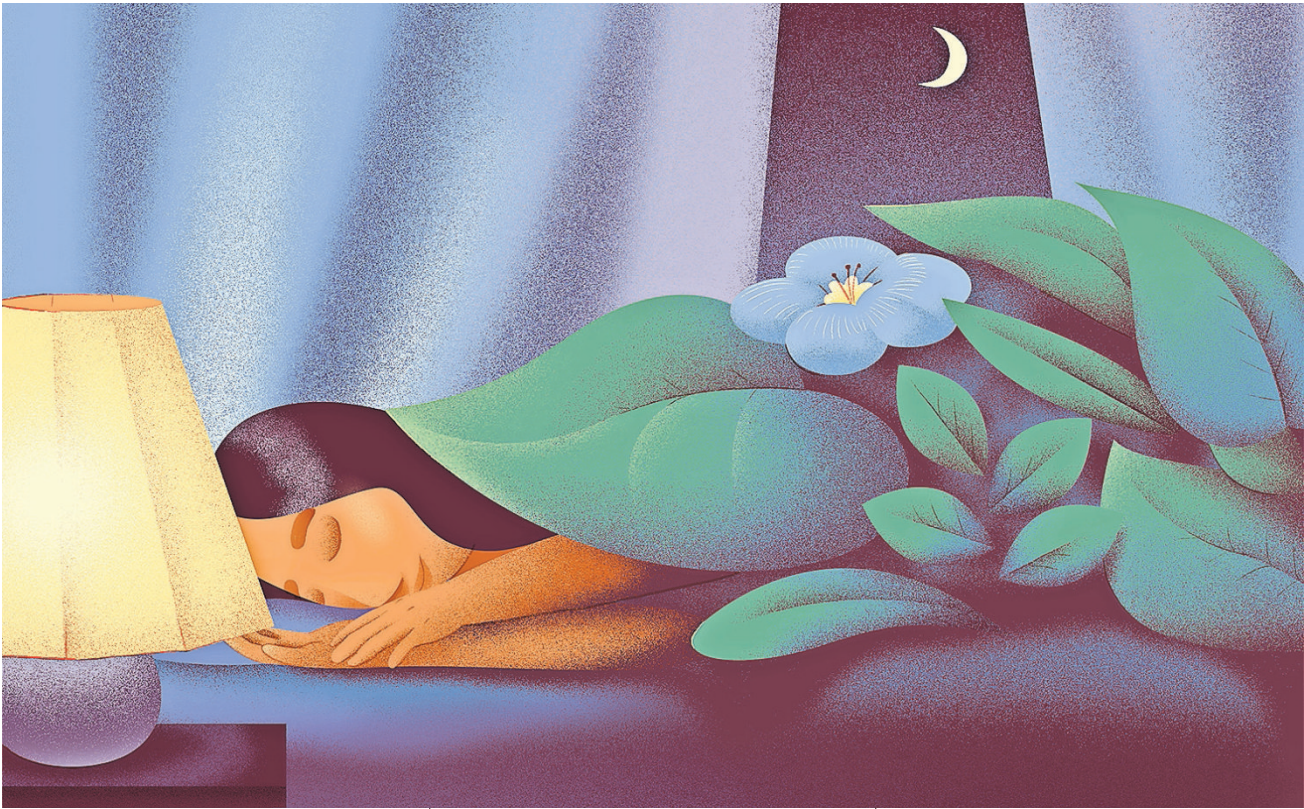
While uncertainty remains over the course of the pandemic and government policies on mask mandates and testing requirements for travel, the industry is seeing a strong desire among travelers to take big bucket-list trips this year, particularly to far-flung international destinations and European cities.

“Travel is no longer just about ‘going somewhere,’” said Christie Hudson, a senior public relations manager for Expedia. “Coming out of such a long period of constraints and limitations, 2022 will be the year we wring every bit of richness and meaning out of our experiences.”

Here are some trends to expect:

LODGING: HOTELS FIGHT BACK, SOMETIMES WITH ROBOTS

This may be the year travelers return to hotels. In a report for the American Hotel & Lodging Association, Oxford Economics, an economic forecasting company, expects total bookings to nearly equal 2019 stays,



though a significant source of revenue — roughly \$48 billion spent before the pandemic on food and drink, meeting spaces and more — will largely remain missing, given the continued slump in business meetings and group events.

Leisure travelers have kept the industry afloat, and in certain areas — especially mountain and coastal destinations — vacation business is booming. With record demand, rates rose at escapist resorts like the Chebeague Island Inn in Maine even in the traditional off-season months.

Now, corporate lodging specialists like Level Hotels & Furnished Suites, which has high-rise apartments in some cities, are going after leisure travelers, touting amenities

like fitness centers. And why not? During the pandemic, many travelers discovered the privacy offered by rental residences. According to AirDNA, which analyzes the short-term rental market, vacation home bookings were up between 30 and 60 percent in small cities and resort destinations compared to 2019, though big-city rentals are down about 25 percent.

Urban hotels hope to compete for digital nomads by adding stylish extended-stay properties, social attractions and better work spaces. Denver’s Catbird hotel offers ergonomic studios with kitchenettes, plus a rooftop bar and rental gear, including scooters, ukuleles and air fryers. The Hoxton chain’s Working From co-working spaces

are attached to its hotels in Chicago and London.

Adapting to lean times, many hotels have outsourced operations beyond laundry and landscaping, into food and recreational services. The new app-based service Breeze works with hotels to provide room service from on-site restaurants or neighboring ones.

The pandemic has also hastened the adoption of automation in hotels — such as keyless check-in, digital staff communication and room delivery by robots — as a cost-effective response to the labor shortage.

“High tech is the new high touch,” said Chekitan Dev, the Singapore Tourism Distinguished Professor of marketing and

management at Cornell University's hotel school.

Hotel sustainability initiatives look to go further than "towel-washing optional" offers.

Hilton has just introduced what it says is the country's first net-zero hotel with the solar-powered Hotel Marcel New Haven, Tapestry Collection in New Haven, Conn. SCP Hotels, which operates seven hotels around the country, aims to go zero-waste in 2022.

The industry's focus on leisure travelers may inspire new diversions. A hotel that can no longer afford to employ 50 servers in its events department might use the space to hold a yoga class or a talk by a local designer, according to Vikram Singh, an independent hotel consultant. "These are the experiences people remember more than whether the pillow was soft," he said.

Elaine Glusac

FAMILY TRAVEL: GOING ON THE EDU-VACATION, CHILDREN IN TOW

After two years of quarantines and classroom closures, millions of children across the country have fallen behind in class. And parents, eager for lesson plans that can supplement learning, are seeking experiences with an educational bent when they travel.



"Previously, families didn't ask in advance about what educational activities are available at the resorts. Now they do," said Chitra Stern, founder and chief executive of the family-friendly Martinhal resorts in Portugal. Nearly half of her new bookings, Ms. Stern said, include questions about on-site educational opportunities for children. Last year, the luxury resorts began partnering with the United Lisbon International School to offer a two-week educational summer camp for its younger guests at Martinhal Lisbon. Courses, which are available for children ages 3 to 17, begin at around \$500.

After a pandemic dip, enrollments are on the rise for family-learning itineraries with the tour operator Road Scholar, which produces educational travel programs for all ages. Options for children and their caregivers include combining history and geography with spotting grizzlies in the Canadian Rockies, or learning French while taking a scavenger hunt through Paris's Louvre.

And noting an uptick in children road tripping with their parents, the Colorado Tourism Office last summer launched Schoolcations, a series of free itineraries based on Colorado road trips and designed for kindergarten to fifth grade.

There are also more opportunities to learn back at the hotel. Family Coppola Hideaways — a group of retreats owned by the film director Francis Ford Coppola — offers the Coppola Curriculum at its properties in Belize and Guatemala. Half-day lessons cost \$150 per day for children and include courses in science (like counting bird species) and art (like local textile looming). In Florida, Isla Bella Beach Resort and Oceans Edge Resort & Marina partner with Marine Science Camp for classes with marine scientists, geared to elementary school children. In California, attendance at the Artisans in Residence program at Carmel Valley Ranch — taught in the apiary, organic garden and goat creamery, and starting at \$85 for adults and \$65 for children — has doubled.

For some, a desire for extra credit also means going for an extra splurge. At the luxury travel agency Black Tomato, bucket-list



family travel accounts for around 55 percent of bookings, with most requests falling into what the company defines as BFG travel: Big Family Get-Togethers. So the company has rolled out a family-focused education track, Field Trip, which begins at around \$5,800 per person; courses include a physics lesson at the CERN laboratory in Switzerland and a social studies-focused hike through Bhutan's Gangtey Valley to meet a revered monk.

"Thematically, for 2022 family bookings, it's all about intrepid adventure mixed with cultural immersion, ecological outdoor experiences, intrepid luxury hotels and even pop-up glamping setups — definitely bucket-list and remote," said Tom Marchant, Black Tomato's owner and co-founder.

Debra Kamin

DESTINATIONS: CITIES ARE BACK AND TOURISTS ARE RETURNING

In March, Virginia Devlin of Chicago was headed to New York City with her daughter, a musical theater student, to celebrate two years' worth of missed birthday trips. They

planned to see Broadway shows and visit Chinatown for dim sum. Tracy Lippes, of Short Hills, N.J., was ready to go to Paris. "I can't wait to stay in a beautiful hotel, shop, visit museums and eat at great restaurants," Ms. Lippes said. Greg Siskind, an immigration attorney in Memphis, was thrilled to have an in-person conference in London, and planned to arrive a few days early to enjoy the city with his adult daughters.

Yes, city travel is back. After more than two years of avoiding urban centers, travelers are eager to return to their favorite metropolis and swan dive into the sights, bites and sounds of a city that is not their own.

"It was a lift to everyone when the U.K. dumped Covid mandates on Jan. 26," said Henley Vazquez, a co-founder of FORA, a travel agency in New York City. "Bookings are spiking for classic European destinations, particularly Paris and London. Clients want to reconnect with special hotels and restaurants and simply bask in the culture."

In the United States, Shawna Owen, the president of Huffman Travel, a Chicago-based agency that specializes in luxury



and family travel, was planning long weekend trips to New York City. “New York is buzzing again and clients are excited to dine at hot spots and enjoy the city’s dynamism.”

Underscoring the New York-is-back trend, the travel booking site Skyscanner reported this year that New York City was its top booked domestic destination in 2022, and the online travel agency Expedia had a 13 percent increase in searches for the city.

As for Europe, Paris and London are the top searched international destinations on Scott’s Cheap Flights, which tracks flight deals. Hotel searches on Expedia jumped 62 percent for London and 51 percent for Paris in the first several weeks of 2022.

With restrictions easing, Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts reported an 80 percent increase in its bookings in Paris, London and New York from December to Jan. 16.

In London, the luxury travel outfit Noteworthy saw bookings of its private tours to iconic British sites increase 145 percent in February over the same time in 2021.

Amy Tara Koch

RESORTS: ALL-INCLUSIVES, BEYOND THE BEACH AND NEARER TO HOME

A new breed of domestic resort is pioneering an almost all-inclusive model, taking the guesswork out of where to eat and what to do. Why “almost?” These properties don’t include alcoholic beverages in their nightly rate, and, perhaps fittingly, boast enviable wine and spirits collections. A major catalyst for the trend: pandemic-scarred travelers wary of leaving the grounds of a resort once they arrive, according to Erina Pindar, the managing director of SmartFlyer, a luxury travel agency. “The almost all-inclusive is incredibly popular,” she said. “We expect demand to continue to be strong.”

Hotels.com reported that searches for this type of resort increased significantly this year compared with 2019. “After the stress of the last few years,” said Mel Dohmen, a Hotels.com spokeswoman, “travelers are looking for stays where they can be doted on.”

“Our clients see these resorts as a hassle-free option,” said Jennifer Donczek, president of the travel agency V.I.P. Vacations.

The San Ysidro Ranch in Montecito, Calif., long beloved by luminaries like Winston Churchill and Vivien Leigh, pivoted to an almost-all-inclusive model in 2020. In addition to folding the cost of meals into the nightly rate, which starts at about \$2,500, it did away with extraneous charges like resort fees and parking. “We figured, with all the charges we’ve gotten rid of, what are people going to spend money on? Wine,” said Ian Williams, the Ranch’s general manager. “We’ve had no complaints. This past year has been our busiest ever.”

Given the complications caused by the pandemic, Mr. Williams and his team sought to streamline the travel process. “We want guests to check out and spend their trip home talking about what an amazing vacation they had,” he said, “not some miscellaneous charge on their bill.”

Beachside buffets and watered-down margaritas might rule at the traditional all-inclusive; not at the Ranch. “Every guest, if they want the Wagyu for dinner, fine,” said Mr. Williams. “Caviar? Great. Maine lobster? No problem.”

When High Hampton, a Cashiers, N.C., resort that dates back to 1933, remodeled in 2020, it folded breakfast and dinner into its nightly rate, which starts at \$595, “because it removes that pressure of where to dine next,” said Scott Greene, the resort’s general manager. (The amber-lit, oak-paneled dining room is always the right answer.)

The same logic has long been in place at Blackberry Farm and Blackberry Mountain, resorts in Walland, Tenn. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the nightly rates, starting around \$850. “We’re exceeding prepandemic occupancy,” said Matt Alexander, Blackberry’s president. SmartFlyer saw a 327-percent increase in revenue from bookings at the two properties in 2021 compared with 2019. Sheila Yasmin Marikar

CRUISES: SMALLER BOATS AND REMOTE PORTS OF CALL BECKON

After two years of devastating losses and a tentative restart last June, the cruise indus-

try faced a challenging start to 2022, as the highly transmissible Omicron variant of the coronavirus caused cases to surge onboard ships, forcing some cruise lines to cancel voyages and change itineraries.

But demand for future cruises is high, especially among dedicated cruise fans. A survey on cruiser sentiment early this year by the online review site Cruise Critic found that 52 percent of the 6,400 cruisers surveyed were looking to book a cruise, with 40 percent hoping to set sail in a matter of months.

A report on the outlook for the industry, published in January by the Cruise Lines International Association, the industry’s trade group, highlighted how major companies were bouncing back from the pandemic despite the hurdles.

More than 75 percent of CLIA member ships have returned to service, with 100 percent expected to restart operations by August. Additionally, 16 new cruise ships from major lines like Carnival, MSC, Royal Caribbean and Disney will launch in 2022.

One of the biggest cruise trends for 2022 is luxury expedition voyages, appealing to a growing number of travelers throughout the pandemic because they typically sail on



smaller ships and steer away from crowded destinations.

“The itineraries vary pretty significantly from those of the larger, more mainstream lines,” said Colleen McDaniel, the editor in chief of Cruise Critic. “Due to their size, luxury ships are able to sail to more remote destinations — so even if you’re sailing in the Caribbean, your ports of call will likely be further removed from the masses, and likely somewhere you might have never been before.”

Smaller river and expedition cruises are also expected to become more popular this year as cruisers seek out big bucket-list destinations and more sustainable ways to travel. Responding to the demand, Hurtigruten, a Norwegian line that specializes in expedition cruises, has added new itineraries to its Galápagos Islands excursions, offering a range of small-ship carbon-neutral expedition sailings that will cover the full span of the remote 19-island archipelago.

“A very positive trend we’ve seen throughout the pandemic is that travelers are increasingly eco-conscious; meaning they do their homework on brands, including cruise ships, to make sure they align with their personal values,” said Daniel Skjeldam, the chief executive of Hurtigruten Group.

The company is also expanding its grand expedition cruise program, offering three unique cruises from the North to South Pole after the success of two similar sold-out sailings scheduled for the fall. The itineraries include destinations like Alaska, Iceland, Greenland, the Northwest Passage sea route, South America and Antarctica.

“After having been isolated for two years, people really want to do something they really can look forward to,” Mr. Skjeldam said. “Something perhaps more active and interesting than their normal prepandemic holiday.”

Ceylan Yeginsu

WELLNESS: SEXUAL HEALING BEGINS WITH DESTINATION RETREATS

Sexual wellness is one of the fastest-growing corners of the global wellness industry,



with travel increasingly part of the experience. More hotel brands and relationship therapists are offering couples retreats and beachfront sessions with intimacy coaches and guided anatomical explorations to meet the needs of travelers seeking greater couple satisfaction and personal pleasure.

“People still have stigma around couples therapy and coming to therapy, but nobody ever had a problem going on vacation,” said Marissa Nelson, a sex therapist who runs retreats in Barbados, Hawaii, St. Lucia and Washington, D.C., through her company, IntimacyMoons (seven days in St. Lucia starts at around \$7,500). She also offers virtual sessions; even when retreats were shut down in 2020, she noticed couples were traveling — to Airbnbs or on road trips — before logging on to work with her.

Travel is a powerful tool for unlocking intimacy, said Shlomo Slatkin, a rabbi and certified relationship therapist. His company, The Marriage Restoration Project, focuses on married couples. Last year, in response to a growing demand to combine therapy and travel, he has introduced his first destination retreats — which cost up to \$5,000 and take place in Costa Rica, Mexico and Miami.

“Going away is really powerful, because changing the relationship requires a paradigm shift,” he said. “The lockdowns brought out a lot of maintenance issues in relationships that need to be addressed.”

Tara Skubella, a tantric guide, works with both couples and single women. Tantra, a spiritual philosophy with roots in medieval India, includes practices like tantric sex, and Ms. Skubella offers services like chakra

work, which focuses on energy points in the body. Her retreats in Costa Rica and Colorado (starting at \$499) have been mostly sold out since 2020, she said.

“It seems very aligned to Covid and breaking out of isolation,” she said. “Society is realizing tantra isn’t only about sex, but about inner connection and healing.”

In March, the hotelier St. Regis offered a retreat with the sex coach Bibi Brzozka on intimacy, conscious sexuality and emotional awareness at the St. Regis Punta Mita Resort in Mexico (\$2,680). In April, Six Senses Ibiza hosted Pleasure Principles — Journey of Women’s Sexual Wellness, a six-night stay focusing on female sexual empowerment (\$4,500). They were the first sexuality-focused retreats for both brands.

Debra Kamin

Travel as Healing: The Rise of the Wellness Vacation

Resorts are going far beyond massages and diet advice to provide a respite from physical and mental stress.

By Concepción de León

BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, when Mary Caliste, 32, traveled, she would try to hit as many tourist attractions as she could. But in early December, Ms. Calliste, who works in the financial services industry out of Plainfield, N.J., went to Guatemala and stayed at an eco-friendly hotel called Lush Atitlán. There, she ate vegan meals, walked around the natural reserve and listened to music.

And loved it.

From now on, she said, “I see myself incorporating a lot more of my needs into my travel instead of what I can see.”

As the pandemic lingers into its third calendar year, it’s probably not surprising that travelers are increasingly looking to their vacations to work on their mental and physical wellness. In a recent American Express survey, 76 percent of respondents said they wanted to spend more on travel that improves their well-being, and 55 percent said they would be willing to pay extra for these services or activities.

That has hotels ramping up their wellness offerings, from outfitting rooms with Peloton exercise bikes to adding programs that address mental health. Hilton has created a program called Five Feet to Fitness, which includes an interactive kiosk with fitness tutorials and a gym’s worth of equipment in some rooms.

At Miraval Resorts & Spas locations, guests in the past year have come in “having experienced symptoms of stress that they, quite frankly, were unfamiliar with,” said Simon Marxer, the hotel group’s associate vice president for wellness offerings.

In April, Miraval partnered with the National Alliance on Mental Illness to create Sensory Journeys, a meditation and soundscape series available for free on the Miraval website. It also introduced Journeys With Intention, a customizable wellness program that allows guests to choose from a selection of “journeys” according to their health goals. Among the offerings: self-connection, grief and loss, and mental well-being, as well as more standard spa, adventure and fitness programs.

“What we’re seeing, certainly in hospi-



THE RANCH MALIBU

tality, is the need to serve really the whole person,” Mr. Marxer said.

SPAS TOOK A HIT

Spas, with their focus on high-touch, one-on-one services like massages and facials, were hit hard last year. Hotel and resort spas experienced a 42 percent dip in revenues, while destination spas, which offer an immersive experience, were down 37 percent, according to a report by the Global Wellness Institute published in December. But the wellness industry has since begun a rapid recovery, the report said, projecting that the spa sector will grow 17 percent annually through 2025.

Still, the downturn forced hotels, resorts

and their guests to expand their notions of wellness and what activities fall under that umbrella. Before the pandemic, a wellness trip was probably centered on a spa’s traditional services, said Caroline Klein, the chief communications officer of Preferred Hotels & Resorts, a luxury hotel group. Now, hotels may offer nature walks, meditation, yoga or any number of creative offerings.

In some ways, hotels are responding to the lifestyles that many people adopted at the height of lockdowns, including making home-cooked meals and taking virtual fitness classes.

“Hotels are really seeing people bring those new mind-sets, routines and preferences with them as they start to travel

again,” Ms. Klein said. “What that creates is a definite shift in expectations and experiences that hotels need to cater to, because they’re not catering to the traveler from 2019.”

Emily Rossin, a spokeswoman for a hospitality group that includes the Ryder, a boutique hotel in Charleston, S.C., said that after seeing the surge in popularity of Peloton bikes during the pandemic, the hotel decided to make them an in-room option.

“We noticed that people were still stuck in their habitual routines from when we were in lockdown,” Ms. Rossin said. “When they’re coming to stay with us, it’s within their same routine and they really don’t have to break that.”

Established wellness hotels are also benefiting from the boom. Alex Glasscock, a co-founder of the Ranch wellness retreat in Malibu, Calif., which offers hours of daily hiking and a vegan menu, has seen an increase in bookings, he said, notably from teenagers and young adults. It's a significant shift from when he and his wife, Sue, started the company in 2010 and people were confused by the concept of a "luxury boot camp."

"This is truly a mega-trend," he said, adding that at the Ranch, "what we've noticed from the pandemic is that where people used to book two and three months in advance, now we're full six months in advance."

CHANGING TRAVEL STYLES

What people want out of a vacation is shifting, said Chris Kam, the president and chief operating officer of Omnitrak, a Hawaii-based research company that conducts regular national travel surveys. While travel has always been a reset, during the pandemic, "the travel experience transformed and became a place to heal — from mental, physical, spiritual stress," he said in an email. "People travel for answers now about how to feel better."

Shasha Du, 33, a founder and the creative director of Wild Awake, which organizes retreats for young people of color, said her travel style had changed. "I used to love traveling to cities a lot more," she said. But looking back at that travel, which she said included a lot of shopping, Ms. Du realized that it "was enjoyable, but it was also not that fulfilling. It didn't nurture my soul."

In 2020, she designed two nature retreats for herself and her friends. And in November, she rented a barn north of Sacramento through Airbnb and, for the first time, signed up for an Airbnb experience: a tea-foraging event where she learned about the ancestral medicinal uses of many plants, some of which she'd been seeing all her life.

"It was just a different form of self-care, but I felt that it was really, really rejuvenating," she said.

Feeling depleted by the pandemic, Ann Chen, 58, an English composition instructor at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., recently booked a wellness retreat with a friend for June "as a way to keep going — find something positive," she said. They plan to stay at Ojo Santa Fe in New Mexico, a wellness resort with thermal pools, meals sourced from local farms and a spa.

They planned ahead for personal scheduling reasons, but also to give them time to research the area and understand its "culture, attitudes and beliefs," Ms. Chen said. The idea, she added, was "to be soothed, to work on being calm, to work on eating good food."

"What we're seeing, certainly in hospitality, is the need to serve really the whole person."

"This kind of resort is getting us back to more of a normal feeling in our lives, where we're just not so stressed out by worrying about whether we're going to live another day," Ms. Chen said.

Industry experts say the wellness travel trend is here to stay. The United States accounted for nearly 30 percent of the global wellness tourism market in 2020, and the sector is expected to grow to \$919 billion by 2022 from \$735.8 billion in 2020, according to the Global Wellness Institute.

"This is where we were headed," Mr. Marxer of Miraval Resorts & Spas said. "The pandemic has brought the future forward in an accelerated way."



Some hotels have begun to outfit rooms with fitness equipment. Far left, a hike at the Ranch, an established retreat in Malibu, Calif., that has seen an increase in bookings.

HILTON HOTELS

The World Has Changed

Travel Can Change, Too



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In 2000, El Hierro in the Canary Islands was declared a biosphere reserve by UNESCO. Jinama viewpoint.

GLOBAL TRAVEL IS more possible now than in the past two years, but it remains difficult and fraught with uncertainty. And beyond the pandemic, there is a profound shift underway in the world’s understanding of climate change and the swiftness and degree to which we are already seeing its effects. Wildfires, floods, dangerous storms, rising water levels and temperatures: All remind us how fragile our world really is. The travel industry is responsible for 8 to 11 percent of total greenhouse gas emissions, according to the World Travel & Tourism Council, and at the Glasgow climate summit meeting last fall, the tourism industry made its first com-

mitment to cut carbon emissions in half by 2030 and reach “net zero” by 2050. There is also the problem of overtourism, which has been held in check by the pandemic but threatens to reassert itself as the world again starts to move. The crowds that have made Venice all but impassable in the high season, or turned neighborhoods in Barcelona into Airbnb outposts, have thinned, but will we have learned anything from the forced shutdowns, or will the same patterns re-emerge? Yet travel can also be part of the solution, and not only on climate. Travel supports depleted economies in places that depend on

tourists’ dollars, and exposes travelers to cultures and customs different from their own. That thought is the animating spirit behind this list, 30 Places for a Changed World. In the past, The New York Times has published an annual destinations list that often focused on things like a hot restaurant scene, an exciting new museum or the opening of a fabulous beachfront resort. This list, instead, highlights places where change is happening — where endangered wild lands are being preserved, threatened species are being protected, historical wrongs are being acknowledged, fragile communities are being bolstered — and where travelers can be

part of the change. This is not the spinach of travel lists: Diving with sharks in the Caribbean is magical, but it is even more so when you know you’re helping to save these creatures that are so critical to the oceans’ health. Touring Normandy’s moody coast on a bike is delightful, and the carbon saved is a bonus. Some of the places on this list may not be open to travelers yet, and some are in areas hard hit by the virus that may not be safe. Our message is not to hop on the next plane, but to use this list as inspiration for your own more purposeful, more fulfilling travel. AMY VIRSHUP

1 Marrakesh, Morocco

Visiting a fabled city supports efforts to employ, educate and empower women.

While women in Morocco have been granted some additional rights in the past two decades, the country recently ranked 144th (out of 156 countries) in a World Economic Forum study of gender parity. Fortunately, entrepreneurs are creating foundations, cooperatives, shops and restaurants to employ, educate and empower Moroccan women. Since many are in Marrakesh, a trip to this “Jewel of the South” offers an opportunity for visitors to help. The Al Kawtar boutique, stocked with clothing, bags and other textiles sewn by disabled women, also operates a home where the women live and receive care. For carpets, consider visiting the atelier of Salam Hello, which is devoted to paying weavers — mostly rural women — a fair wage and using profits to assist them. Come lunch or dinner, a traditional Moroccan meal — tagine, couscous, fruit salad — at an Amal restaurant provides direct assistance to disadvantaged women and helps finance a nonprofit association that trains women in culinary skills. Finally, when it is time to sleep, consider Peacock Pavilions. The luxury resort, in an olive grove outside of Marrakesh, is owned by the creators of Project Soar, which provides education and leadership training to teenage girls.

SETH SHERWOOD

The Salam Hello carpet atelier pays weavers, mostly rural women, a fair wage and uses profits to assist them.



MALLORY SOLOMON

2 Chioggia, Italy

Near Venice, an ancient town offers history, architecture and more — and creates an escape valve for overtourism.



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Built on a cluster of islands in the Venetian lagoon, with centuries-old buildings rising from the canals in all their decadent glory, Chioggia is called “piccola Venezia,” or little Venice. Locals beg to disagree: If anything, they say, it’s nearby Venice that should be described as Chioggia’s larger doppelgänger, and it’s true, Chioggia is older. Venice is so worried about being overwhelmed once again after the pandemic that it is planning to resort to surveillance cameras and cellphone data to control the crowds; visiting other culturally rich places like Chi-

oggia can help relieve the pressure. Today, Chioggia is popular with Italian and German visitors, drawn both by the architectural beauties in the historic center and the family-friendly beaches of its mainland suburb, Sottomarina. The city, which has preserved a rough maritime vibe, can serve as an ideal base for bicycle tours. It is also known for its radicchio. During a time of increased awareness of overtourism, this miniature Venice is a delightful alternative for travelers looking for a lesser-known destination.

ANNA MOMIGLIANO



Chioggia, which is older than Venice, has maintained a rough maritime vibe and is popular with Italian and German tourists.

3 Queens, New York

The world a la carte and available at the price of a subway ride.

A dim sum meal at Nan Xiang Xiao Long Bao in Flushing, and far right, shrimp aguachile at the new Mariscos El Submarino in Jackson Heights.



Queens wants you to show up hungry. “There’s probably nowhere else in the world where you can sample the home cooking of more than 150 different countries within such a compact space,” says the restaurant critic Robert Sietsema, who covers the borough for Eater.com. And at a time when long-haul travel is still uncertain, a dim sum lunch at Nan Xiang Xiao Long Bao in Flushing is a quick and delicious ticket to China, just as some nostril-clearing shrimp aguachile at the new Mariscos El Submarino in Jackson Heights is a trip to Mexico. “The Queens restaurant industry was slammed by Covid-19, but now it’s recovering because we’re a borough of family-centered communities where the restaurants take care of their own,” says



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Jonathan Forgash, a chef and borough resident who founded Queens Together, a non-profit, in March 2020. ALEXANDER LOBRANO

4 Zihuatanejo, Mexico

A grass-roots approach to conservation on the Pacific Coast protects marine wildlife and revives a village.

This laid-back beach town — neighbor of Ixtapa, the resort destination on the Pacific Coast — and communities around it have spawned grass-roots environmental projects that travelers can support. The conservation nonprofit Whales of Guerrero has helped train fishermen as whale-watching guides, and Campamento Tortuguero Ayotlcalli offers opportunities to join turtle nest patrols and release hatchlings. The guitar duo Rodrigo y Gabriela, Rodrigo Sánchez and Gabriela Quintero, are involved with local vegan initiatives; Mr. Sánchez runs his own plant-based restaurant, La Raíz de la Tierra. Check into Playa Viva, 30 miles south. The solar-powered regenerative resort has helped revive the adjoining village of Juluchuca by providing education and employment in conservation, tourism and agriculture. It recently joined a new regional project to protect the watershed of the Juluchuca River, which begins in the mountain-



ous interior where guests can take A.T.V. excursions to explore the headwaters at an off-grid coffee and cacao plantation. ELAINE GLUSAC



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The beach forts, or tree houses, at Playa Viva, a solar-powered regenerative resort, offer unobstructed oceanfront views in a back-to-nature setting.

5 Northumberland, England

Dark skies, pristine beaches and a 1,900-year anniversary on a coastline with newly opened trails.



The Northumberland coast contains some of the most rugged terrain in England and is accessible from the England Coast Path. Far right, Bamburgh Castle and, top and right, Hadrian's Wall.



Britain's diverse coastline, from the cliffs of Dover to the boardwalks of Brighton, will soon have a unifying element: the 2,800-mile England Coast Path. Developed in part by the governmental organization Natural England, the path aims to increase public access to the coast while also restoring landscapes, improving community connection and promoting sustainable travel. Trail segments that have opened include a 44-mile stretch in the northeast, from the River Tyne to the Northumberland coast, which is the

epitome of rugged England: misty dunes, rocky headlands, wild beaches. At night, look up. The Northumberland International Dark Sky Park has some of the lowest light pollution in the country and features one of the largest areas of protected night sky in Europe. Gaze at galaxies sprayed across the sky at Kielder Observatory, and then venture to the ancient past as Hadrian's Wall is celebrating its 1,900th anniversary with a yearlong festival.

ANNELISE SORENSEN



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6 Alentejo Wine Region, Portugal

Sustainable winemaking isn’t just on-trend — it’s survival for a region where water is in short supply.

With a herd of sheep to keep weeds at bay, Herdade de Coelheiros is one of the wineries in Alentejo that has prioritized sustainability amid the threat of global warming.



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Alentejo has most of the elements required for wine production: sun, soil, native grape varieties and a centuries-old winemaking legacy. What does it lack? Rain. Global warming has increasingly threatened this arid region known for full-bodied reds, so in 2015, the area created the Wines of Alentejo Sustainability Program. By prioritizing water conservation, with measures like developing cover crops for water retention and creating ponds to collect rainwater, the program has helped wineries reduce their water consumption by 20 percent. While future projects include an online calculator for members to measure their carbon and water footprints, the program created a certification process in 2020 to verify that wineries are following green initiatives. These wineries include Herdade de Coelheiros, an estate with a walnut orchard, a cork forest and sheep, an organic solution for weed control.

ANNELISE SORENSEN

7 Lucayan Archipelago, the Bahamas, Turks and Caicos

A new model for shark conservation saves creatures that are needed for the health of the seas.

In the last 50 years, global shark populations have declined by more than 70 percent. And yet sharks, one researcher has said, are the “white blood cells” of the seas, cleaning sick, dying and dead animals from the waters. The good news is that efforts are underway to support sharks — even off some of the most popular tourist destinations in the Caribbean. In 2011, the Bahamas Shark Sanctuary was established, the first of its kind in the Atlantic Ocean. Now the Bahamas calls itself the “shark diving capital of the world.” During the pandemic, Turks and Caicos — which, along with the Bahamas, forms part of the Lucayan Archipelago, an important shark habitat — began its own effort, with help from the Caribbean Shark Coalition. Researchers have been tagging sharks, gathering data that will help Turks and Caicos, which has already prohibited most shark fishing, to establish further protections.

NINA BURLEIGH



The Bahamas bills itself as “the shark diving capital of the world” and has enacted measures to protect the crucial animals. Nearby, Turks and Caicos is doing the same.

CAINE DELACY

8 Cleveland, Ohio

A restaurant serves dinner with an eye toward entrepreneurial training and social justice.



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Dinner isn't usually part of the prisoner re-entry system, but at EDWINS Leadership and Restaurant Institute in Cleveland's Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood, the mission is larger than braised artichokes and Burgundy snails: The aim is to teach former prisoners a new trade. Founded by Brandon Chrostowski, a classically trained chef, EDWINS includes a fine-dining French restaurant, bakery, butcher and event space, all open to the public. The campus has a test kitchen, apartments and basketball courts, and EDWINS continues to buy and refurbish buildings in the underserved neighborhood (a culinary class is available on closed-circuit tablets in prisons throughout the country). The institute helps former inmates get a place to live rent-free (relocation fees are paid in part by the Cleveland Browns football team), a driver's license, legal counseling and health care. "It's not just about a wonder-



The EDWINS Leadership and Restaurant Institute in the Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood serves meals such as braised rabbit while giving former prisoners new skills.

ful restaurant, it's not just about re-entry," said Councilman Blaine Griffin of Cleveland. "This is social entrepreneurship at its best." DANIELLE PERGAMENT

9 South Africa

Endangered wildlife, an underwater forest and a struggling UNESCO site support jobs and education.

After two years of restricted travel and then being hit by a wave of the Omicron coronavirus variant, South Africa's many outstanding wildlife reserves and conservation projects are badly in need of support. Lock-downs caused a 96 percent drop in visits to South Africa's national parks, jeopardizing the efforts of places like iSimangaliso Wetland Park, an 800,000-acre UNESCO World Heritage site on the country's eastern coast. Home to elephants, leopards, lions, rhinos and whales, iSimangaliso also supports more than 12,000 jobs and an environmental education program involving 150 schools. Visitors can keep it classic and track the "Big Five" — elephants, rhinos, buffalo, lions and leopards — on safari at some of the country's approximately 500 private game reserves, like Kariega and Manyeleti. Or they can go a step further and volunteer to monitor biodiversity with the Endangered Wildlife Trust at Medike Nature Reserve in the Soutpans-



berg Mountains, or help save the dazzling aquatic life and octopus teachers that inhabit the Great African Seaforest, the planet's only forest of giant bamboo kelp. CHARLY WILDER



South Africa's reserves saw a steep decline in visitors during the pandemic and need support. The Entabeni Safari Conservancy is one place to see elephants and other wildlife.

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10 Evia, Greece

Community support for a ravaged island is helping locals survive environmental disaster.



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The Other Human food pantry was established more than 10 years ago, serving Athens, Thessaloniki and the island of Evia in the wake of Greece's financial crisis. As the country recovers from last year's wildfires and floods, The Other Human has expanded to help those who lost their livelihoods, and welcomes travelers to get involved. At weekly food drives held in Evia's capital, Chalkida, meals are cooked and eaten together to establish a sense of community. Volunteers are invited to help cook, pack hampers with food and essentials, and contribute funds to

rebuild schools and aid locals with essential bills. Lost in the fires were homes, businesses, olive groves and one-third of Evia's beloved pine forest, which generations had relied upon for resin and honey. Increasing tourism is vital for the economic recovery of this island a short trip from Athens. In addition to community projects, visitors will find a hilltop acropolis and other archaeological sites in Eretria, mineral-rich thermal springs in Edipsos and showstopper sunsets, with the Aegean Sea as a backdrop. CATERINA HRYSSOMALLIS



Visitors to the island of Evia can enjoy the thermal springs of Edipsos and tour the acropolis in the ancient city of Eretria.

11 Red River Delta, Vietnam

Travelers can witness celebrations of age-old traditions in the country’s less-visited northern region.



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Once travel begins to normalize, tourists will undoubtedly flock to Vietnam’s world-famous beaches and dynamic megacities. But head north to the traditional villages of the Red River Delta, and you can immerse yourself in centuries-old cultural practices and a way of life that is at risk of disappearing. Since ancient times, villagers along the Cau River in northern Vietnam have sung Quan ho, a call-and-response folk music style performed by alternating all-female and all-male duets from neighboring villages that was recognized as a UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage practice in 2009. In the decade since, 49 ancient villages in Bac Ninh and Bac Giang provinces have taken measures to safeguard the cultural heritage of Quan ho — which includes countless rituals celebrating culinary traditions — and to address rural-urban migration through cultural tourism. Hanoi-based tour operators like Vietnamstay and Khoa Viet Travel offer



In the villages of the Red River Delta, visitors can explore the Buddhist temples and craft communes.

travelers a chance to explore the villages’ Buddhist temples, craft communes, Ly Dynasty pagodas and waterways while helping to preserve the past.
CHARLY WILDER

12 Slovenia

At a European crossroads, high-end dining is fed by the produce of local farms.

Slovenia wants to cook for you, because the June 2020 launch of the first Michelin guide devoted to its restaurants was a source of national pride. It validated the way this central European country of just over two million people has been putting environmentally responsible travel and its good food and wines at the heart of its identity as a desirable destination since it became independent 30 years ago. “From the very beginning, we knew our food was special and would become a major reason to visit our country,” says Ana Ros, the chef at Hiso Franko, the only restaurant in Slovenia with two Michelin stars. Slovenian cooking is a reflection of the country’s location at a culinary crossroads between Mediterranean, Germanic and Slavic countries, but the real reason its food is so good is that it’s made with produce from the country’s small farms. Some of them, like Govc, are part of a network the Slovenian government launched in 1992. ALEXANDER LOBRANO



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“From the very beginning, we knew our food was special and would become a major reason to visit our country,” said Ana Ros, the chef at Hiso Franko, a two-Michelin-star restaurant.

13 El Yunque National Forest, Puerto Rico

Local efforts revive a hard-hit reserve where government aid has been slow to arrive.



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The rainforest was hit by hurricanes Irma and Maria, but visitors can still enjoy a dip at the La Mina waterfall.

Puerto Rico's El Yunque National Forest is the only tropical rainforest within the U.S. Forest Service's holdings. The forest, whose name is a Spanish derivation of an Indigenous Taino word, offers one of the most diverse ecosystems in the network, with wildlife including the famed Coqui frog, the island's unofficial symbol. Hit by the back-to-back hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017, El Yunque is still recovering from the impact, and funding for everything from infrastructure to conservation has been slow to arrive. But local organizations like the nonprofit Love in Motion haven't been waiting. Its initiatives include rebuilding the Picachos and Angelito trails (you can also swim in the natural pool along the latter); the sister organization Local Guest arranges low-impact itineraries like bird watching and hiking while community building. Stay in a locally owned property like Dos Aguas, which has been in the same family since the 1950s (currently available only as a full house rental because of Covid) or the Rainforest Inn, with a botanical garden and solar-powered electricity.

ONDINE COHANE

14 Kyoto, Japan

Tourism in service of traditional architecture that is facing a precarious future.

Tucked between pachinko parlors and convenience stores, Kyoto's machiya — traditional wooden townhouses, long and narrow, and often hiding courtyard gardens — have been vanishing since World War II. The city has worked hard to preserve the structures: A machiya development fund was created in 2005, and the buildings were twice put on a watch list by the World Monuments Fund. The buildings are also taxed at a lower rate. But those efforts may now fall short. Teetering on the brink of bankruptcy, Kyoto is in cost-cutting — and revenue-raising — overdrive. After tourism dropped by 88 percent in 2020, some traditional neighborhoods may be threatened by commercial development. Tourism can help. Some investors have converted machiya into guesthouses, boutiques and restaurants. When visitors come to these properties, they send a message: The machiya history matters to Kyoto.

DEBRA KAMIN



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Many machiya have been converted into guesthouses, boutiques and restaurants to draw tourism dollars as part of an effort to preserve the historic buildings.



15 The Great Highway, San Francisco

A coastal road becomes a must-go destination, pointing the way for post-pandemic urbanism.



BETH COLLIER FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES

Most pandemic-related shutdowns were disruptive reactions to a disease-dominated world, but many people across the United States welcomed one exception: prohibiting car traffic on city streets. In San Francisco, the street shutdowns included a two-mile stretch on the city's far western edge known as the Great Highway. The thoroughway became a destination, a beach-front promenade flanking the raw expanse of Ocean Beach, and a community center — friends met up for walks, local children learned to ride bikes, and everything “popped up,” from street art to protests and trick-or-treating. But opponents took issue, with claims of increased traffic, limited access for older people and the disabled, and general inconvenience. In an uneasy compromise, city officials reopened the highway to traffic Monday to Friday. Still, on weekends, the Great Highway has become a unique destination — in a city full of them — to take

in San Francisco's wild Pacific Ocean coastline by foot, bike, skates or scooter, sample food trucks and explore local cafes, restaurants, record stores, bookstores and more. It's also a telling microcosm of the ways in which our cities, and our values, shifted during the pandemic.

LAUREN SLOSS

The Great Highway has become a unique destination where visitors can explore the Pacific Ocean coast.

16 Sierra Leone

Eco-tourism offers the chance to help a country recovering from a civil war and an epidemic.

In the 1980s, the sandy, palm-fringed beaches of this West African country used to attract high-flying tourists from Europe and beyond. But visitors disappeared when civil war broke out in the 1990s, and today — after nearly 20 years of peace and nearly six years after an Ebola outbreak ended — most have yet to return. But this small nation has an enormous amount to offer adventurous visitors, and the authorities hope that tourism will be a more sustainable resource than diamonds or gold. Visitors who make the trip can spend the night in a jungly eco-lodge at the Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary (your stay supports the sanctuary's work); enjoy a cold beer and fresh lobster on the beaches of the Western Peninsula; learn about a painful chapter in history on a tour of the ruined slave fort on Bunce Island; and make the three- or four-day expedition to the top of 6,381-foot Mount Bintumani, the country's highest peak.

PAIGE McCLANAHAN

A stay at an eco-lodge supports the Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary, which cares for orphaned primates.



RENATO GRANIERI

17 Fogo Island, Newfoundland

A traditional fishing community in Canada turns to tourism and finds new life.



In 1992, Newfoundland’s moratorium on cod fishing decimated villages along the region’s Atlantic coast, including Fogo Island, a granite outpost of stilt-supported fishing shacks and saltbox cottages. But the arrival of the angular and arresting Fogo Island Inn in 2013 changed the island’s fortunes, as intended by its founder, the Fogo native Zita Cobb. Nine years later, the population has stabilized and more than 70 new businesses have opened, along with a dozen food producers. Now there are lodging alternatives to the inn (where rates start at over 2,500

Canadian dollars, or about \$2,000, a night), including vacation homes with names like Aunt Gladys from The Old Salt Box Co., and cottages from Escape by the Sea. In summertime, after summiting bald Brimstone Head, one of the island’s highest points, or watching birds or icebergs, fuel up at Scoff, run by former cooks at the inn, or Bangbelly Café. The strong arts-and-crafts scene, including galleries such as Fogo Clay Studio, attests to the power of tourism to sustain a community.

ELAINE GLUSAC

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The Fogo Island Inn helped to transform a decimated fishing community into an artsy tourist destination.

18 El Hierro, Spain

Wind and water create power on a tiny outpost that is a leader in renewable energy.



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El Hierro, the most remote of the Canary Islands, has set an example for renewable energy. The Gorona del Viento power plant uses windmills and hydraulic turbines to supply the island's electricity.



A few hundred miles off the coast of Morocco, flung out in the middle of the Atlantic, is El Hierro, the most remote — and, some say, the most charming — of the Canary Islands. It's also a pint-size leader in renewable energy. In 2014, El Hierro opened Gorona del Viento, a power plant that uses a system of reservoirs and wind to supply the island's electricity. (Wind provides power while pumping water into reservoirs; hydraulic turbines take over when the wind dies down; diesel supplies a fallback when both those sources are lacking.) At one point last year, Gorona del Viento was able to supply

the island's 11,000 inhabitants with 100 percent renewable energy for 25 consecutive days. As El Hierro plants one foot in the future, the island's cultural identity keeps the other rooted in the past. El Hierro's historic language, Silbo Herreño, is one of the last whistling languages in the world. When the island's elders noticed that the Herreño whistle was dying out, the cultural association on El Hierro began offering free classes after school, at weekend markets and to the island's shepherds, who traditionally communicate by whistling.

DANIELLE PERGAMENT

19 Dana Biosphere Reserve, Jordan

Sustaining traditional livelihoods through village restoration in a desert landscape.



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The Dana Biosphere Reserve is the first national reserve to be listed on UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere Program. The reserve was founded in 1989 in the area in and around Dana Village and Wadi Dana.

Perched on a cliff overlooking the central valley of Jordan's largest nature reserve stand the quaint Ottoman-era stone houses of Dana Village. Once abandoned by the Ata-ta tribe, the settlement is being brought back to life through an ecotourism project that aims to preserve the area's biodiversity by empowering local communities. Many of the 15th-century houses have been converted into eco-lodges with terraced gardens and orchards, creating an oasis above the desert plains below. Along the village's cobble streets, local women sell handcrafted jewelry and homemade jams produced from fruits grown in their orchards. Dana Village marks the start of the nine-mile Wadi Dana hiking trail, which spans the reserve and its flora and fauna. The reserve is home to 833 plant species and several endangered bird species, as well as archaeological ruins from the Byzantine, Nabatean and Roman periods, including the ancient copper mines in Wadi Faynan.

CEYLAN YEGINSU

20 Gouda, the Netherlands

A Dutch treat for cheese lovers and those wanting to get beyond the crowded streets of Amsterdam.



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In 2019, the Dutch tourism board announced it would stop promoting travel to the Netherlands. Because of overtourism, it would also shift to encouraging visitors to consider the country beyond Amsterdam and to travel more sustainably. A charming example of a Dutch destination that ticks these boxes is Gouda, a small historic city in the south. Known for its namesake cheese, produced there since 1184 and one of the world's 10 most popular cheeses, the city of Gouda is an

ideal base for a car-free visit to the Netherlands. An extensive system of well-marked bicycle routes (with charging stations for e-bikes) makes it easy to explore the city and region. The new 25-room Weeshuis Gouda hotel occupies a beautifully renovated 16th-century orphanage. Visit the new Gouda Cheese Experience, which opened in June 2020 in a former 19th-century military barracks, for a tasting of artisanal cheeses. ALEXANDER LOBRANO



The Netherlands is more than just Amsterdam. Visitors to Gouda can tour the southern city car-free and taste its namesake cheese.

21 The Red Sea Mountain Trail, Egypt

Rugged highlands, narrow gorges and generations of Bedouin culture reveal themselves in a region visited on foot.

For centuries, pastoral nomads in Egypt’s Eastern Desert traversed this arid region by a network of pathways over granite ranges, across barren valleys and through colorful canyons. Now the Ma’aza tribe has revived the ancient footpaths to create the Red Sea Mountain Trail. The founders of the 100-mile trail hope to organize the first through hike this year. Meanwhile, the Ma’aza tribe offers day hikes through the wilderness between the Nile River and the Red Sea. All hikes are led by Bedouins. On the trek to Jebel Abul Hassan, hikers traverse a narrowing gorge flanked by pink and black granite walls. The hike up the slopes of Wadi El Gattar reveals stone hermit cells built by early Christians fleeing the Romans, and primitive rock art. It’s a sustainable tourism project: the water drawn from wells, the flat bread baked in campfires, and the Bedouin traditions and knowledge preserved for future generations.

PATRICK SCOTT



The Red Sea Mountain Trail’s co-founder, Ben Hoffer, and the guide Mostafa Abo Alfadl walked along the trail through Wadi Abo Elhassan.

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22 Little Calumet River, Chicago

African American history and restored marshlands await on a new marine trail on the city’s Southeast Side.

A paddle down the seven-mile African American Heritage Water Trail takes visitors to key historic sites on the Little Calumet River.



RUDY SCHULTZ/OPENLANDS

In the Calumet region of Southeast Chicago, interest in the area’s nearly two centuries of African American heritage is flourishing alongside a new marine trail. Established by the urban conservation organization Openlands and community partners, the seven-mile African American Heritage Water Trail tells the story of the Little Calumet River and those connected to it throughout history, like freedom seekers on the Underground Railroad who found shelter at Ton Farm, owned by Dutch immigrants. Paddle by canoe or kayak to the trail’s other sites, including Chicago’s Finest Marina, one of the oldest Black-owned marinas in the area, and the Major Taylor Trail Bridge, named after the African American cyclist. And history isn’t the only draw: Thanks to initiatives by Audubon Great Lakes and other conservation groups, more marsh bird species are returning to this restored wetland area.

ANNELISE SORENSEN

23 Sarasota, Florida

Saving the architectural Mod squad to inspire innovative and sustainable design today.

Architecture Sarasota is a new organization founded to protect and promote the most spectacular concentration of modernist buildings east of the Mississippi. In a booming city on Florida's Gulf Coast, where there's a constant tug of war between developers and preservationists, raising the profile of these modernist buildings is intended to give them greater value in the eyes of locals and attract design tourists, says Anne-Marie Russell, the organization's executive director. The buildings were the work of architects in what was known as the Sarasota School of Architecture, which emerged during the 1940s and ran through the mid-1960s. Among the best-known architects were Paul Rudolph and his partners Ralph Twitchell, Philip Hiss, Gene Leedy, Carl Abbott, Victor Lundy and Jack West. "Our hope is the Sarasota School's innovative sensitivity to climate and environmental concerns will spur innovative and sustainable design

here today," Ms. Russell said. Architecture Sarasota organizes guided visits to and private stays at some of the best modernist houses, and runs an annual MOD Weekend of tours, exhibits and similar events.

ALEXANDER LOBRANO

The Revere Quality House in Siesta Key, Fla., reflects the modernist style of the Sarasota School of Architecture.



RYAN GAMMA

24 Normandy, France

Environmentally friendly bike trails that could inspire Impressionist painters.

New bicycle paths wind through the Normandy region to promote sustainable tourism.



CLARA FERRAND

Claude Monet's paintings of Normandy's moody Atlantic coast could now have another element: a bicycle path. New bike routes in the region include the 932-mile Vélomaritime, which starts south in Brittany, travels along the shore of the English Channel and ends at the Belgian border. Along the way, Mont-Saint-Michel rises out of the water and World War II's D-Day landing beaches beckon. The Vélomaritime is one of the newer trails making up the EuroVelo, a bike network that aims to unite the European continent. The new 260-mile La Seine à Vélo, with a focus on environmentally friendly bicycle tourism and connecting with local communities, starts at Notre-Dame in Paris and follows the Seine to the Normandy coast, through sun-dappled countryside. La Seine à Vélo's final stretch swoops through the area of Pays d'Auge, the cradle of Camembert, Calvados and cider.

ANNELISE SORENSEN

25 Kunta Kinteh Island, Gambia

A struggle between a sorrowful history and rising seas on an endangered spot of land.

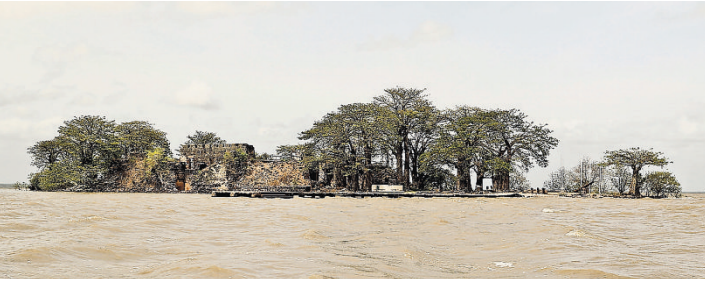


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Kunta Kinteh Island, a speck of land near the mouth of the Gambia River, was a key site in the trans-Atlantic slave trade. Formerly called James Island and used for hundreds of years as a staging ground for the transport of enslaved people, the island, part of a UNESCO World Heritage site, was renamed in recent years after a character in Alex Haley’s best-selling book “Roots.” Now, because of heavy erosion and rising seas, the island is at risk of being lost altogether. Its ruins — including the cramped quarters where

men and women were confined before being sent across the Atlantic — have been partly protected, but only a fraction of the island’s land mass remains, the rest having been reclaimed by the surrounding water. Local tour guides can be hired to explain the island’s history, and a small cruise company runs annual river trips into Gambia, giving guests the opportunity to donate to a school and film festival the company founded deeper inland.

NINA BURLEIGH



The ruins on Kunta Kinteh Island include the quarters where enslaved people were once confined before being sent across the Atlantic. The island is at risk of being lost to erosion and rising seas.

26 Santa Cruz County, California

Appreciating old trees on new trails after wildfires threatened their future.



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In 2020, wildfires across California threatened some of the world’s oldest forests, including at Big Basin Redwoods and Henry Cowell Redwoods State Parks in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Thankfully, most of the parks’ mighty redwoods survived the flames, and now hope — in the form of expanded green initiatives — is dawning across Santa Cruz County. While Henry Cowell is open, as is part of Big Basin, with more rebuilding planned, the Land Trust of Santa Cruz County is developing new hiking trails, including in the 8,500-acre San Vicente Redwoods. On the North Coast, the Cotoni-Coast Dairies, a recent addition to the California Coastal National Monument, is slated to open within the next year, with nearly 6,000 acres of coastal terraces, redwood forests and sweeping views of the Pacific. The area’s designation as a national monument will help protect its rich ecology and cultural history.

ANNELISE SORENSEN



Henry Cowell Redwood State Park has reopened since the wildfires in Santa Cruz County, and initiatives to protect the area’s coastal sites have expanded.

27 Thaidene Nënë National Park Reserve, Canada

The country’s newest national park sets a model for Indigenous control in a spectacular landscape.

Designated in 2019 and located in the Northwest Territories, Canada’s newest national park, Thaidene Nënë, means “Land of the Ancestors” in the Denesuline language. The park is a mix of boreal forest and tundra along the eastern shoreline of Great Slave Lake. It also sets a new precedent in including Indigenous peoples in park management and oversight. The first Canadian national parks, created in the 19th century, excluded Indigenous peoples from their traditional lands. Although this policy changed, overall control remained in the hands of Parks Canada. At Thaidene Nënë, Indigenous communities, including the nearby Dene settlement of Lutsel K’e, have helped create and manage the park from the beginning. Economic opportunities derived from the park, like guiding and cultural heritage tours, flow back to these communities. Ni Hat’ni Dene is a network of Lutsel K’e residents employed to protect, monitor

and provide interpretive tours of the park. Visitors can hike along the trails of Dene ancestors, paddle through the many coves and waterfalls of the eastern arm of Great Slave Lake, fish for lake trout and Arctic grayling during the summer’s nearly 24-hour light, and camp at the transition point between the subarctic and Arctic environments.

PETER KUJAWINSKI

The landscape of the park is characterized by deep lakes, stark, glacier-carved cliffs, boreal forest and tundra.



COREY MYERS/NORTHWEST TERRITORIES TOURISM

28 Saguaro National Park, Arizona

Communal help for a species threatened by climate change may sustain a park for the future.

Saguaro National Park, whose two parcels sit on either side of Tucson, is home to almost two million of the tall, multi-limbed cactuses for which it is named. For decades it has delighted visitors with hiking trails, archaeological sites and epic vistas. But climate change is now threatening the very cactuses that have made the park an iconic destination. Rising temperatures, along with more frequent — and hotter — wildfires, are curbing the growth of new saguaro. A National Park Service report found that out of 10,000 cactuses, only 70 were less than 11 years old, a disturbing trend that puts the future of the cactus population in the park at risk. To help mitigate the effects of wildfires, the park launched an eradication program targeting buffelgrass, an invasive species that is drought-resistant and provides an outsize amount of wildfire fuel. The park has organized monthly buffelgrass pulls, where teams of volunteers spend four hours digging it up and disposing of it. Put on hold during the pandemic, the group pulls restarted early this year. Officials are also beginning a program where visitors can “adopt” specific areas of the park and pick buffelgrass on their own time.

DANIEL TEPPER



Sunset at Saguaro National Park in Tucson, Arizona.

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Hotter temperatures and wildfires are curbing the growth of new cactuses.

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TRAVELING WELL

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29 Bronzeville, Milwaukee

With thriving businesses and the reopening of a museum, a largely Black district offers the chance to take part in renewal.

At times overshadowed by its namesake neighborhood in Chicago, Milwaukee's Bronzeville district is again distinguishing itself as a center of African American culture. From 1910 to the 1950s, the area buzzed with Black-owned businesses, but it was decimated by "urban renewal" projects that razed thriving Black neighborhoods across America. Today's Bronzeville is supported by about \$400 million of redevelopment funds from organizations like the Historic King Drive BID, P3 Development Group and Maures Development Group (all led by people of color). Symbolic of this reinvigoration is the reopening this year of America's Black Holocaust Museum. Founded in 1988 by Dr. James Cameron, the only known survivor of a lynching, the museum attracted visitors from around the world before closing in 2008 when it lost funding during the recession. On Feb. 25, the museum reopened in a 10,000-square-foot space that takes visitors

on a journey through more than 4,500 years of African and African American history. Nearby, businesses like Gee's Clippers (a barbershop housed in a 1930s bank) and the Bronzeville Collective (a retail space featuring local Black brands) elevate African American artistry, while the newly opened Maranta Plant Shop, Sam's Place Jazz Cafe and soon-to-open Niche Book Bar prove that Bronzeville is back.

SHAYLA MARTIN

A statue of Martin Luther King Jr. in the Bronzeville district, where African American culture is celebrated.



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30 Serra Da Capivara National Park, Brazil

Art and archaeology in a remote park that visitors can help preserve.



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Sure, it is the dramatic mesas and canyons of northeastern Brazil's caatinga, or cactussy shrub lands, that first catch the eye. But what distinguishes this national park from countless other breathtaking Brazilian landscapes are the archaeological and artistic remains of ancient humans who many researchers believe arrived more than 20,000 years ago. The now 89-year-old French-Brazilian archaeologist Niède Guidon first documented the exuberant red ochre cave drawings depicting hunters, prey, revelers and play in the 1960s. Her team unearthed archaeological finds that called into question previous theories on how humans reached the Americas; the area became a national park in 1979, added the Museum of American Man in 1986 and became a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1991. The Museum of Nature, opened in 2018, brought a record 30,000 visitors to the park the next year. The pandemic slowed momentum

but not progress: New archaeological sites were prepared for visitation, new visitor bathrooms were installed, and most notably, an impressive 200-foot enclosed ladder up a steep cliff face opened last October, allowing safer and far faster visitor access to a popular panoramic viewpoint.

SETH KUGEL

The cave paintings in the Serra Da Capivara were first documented in the 1960s by Niède Guidon.

Lying Beneath a Blanket of Stars

Utah has the densest concentration of designated Dark Sky Places in the world.

By Colleen Creamer

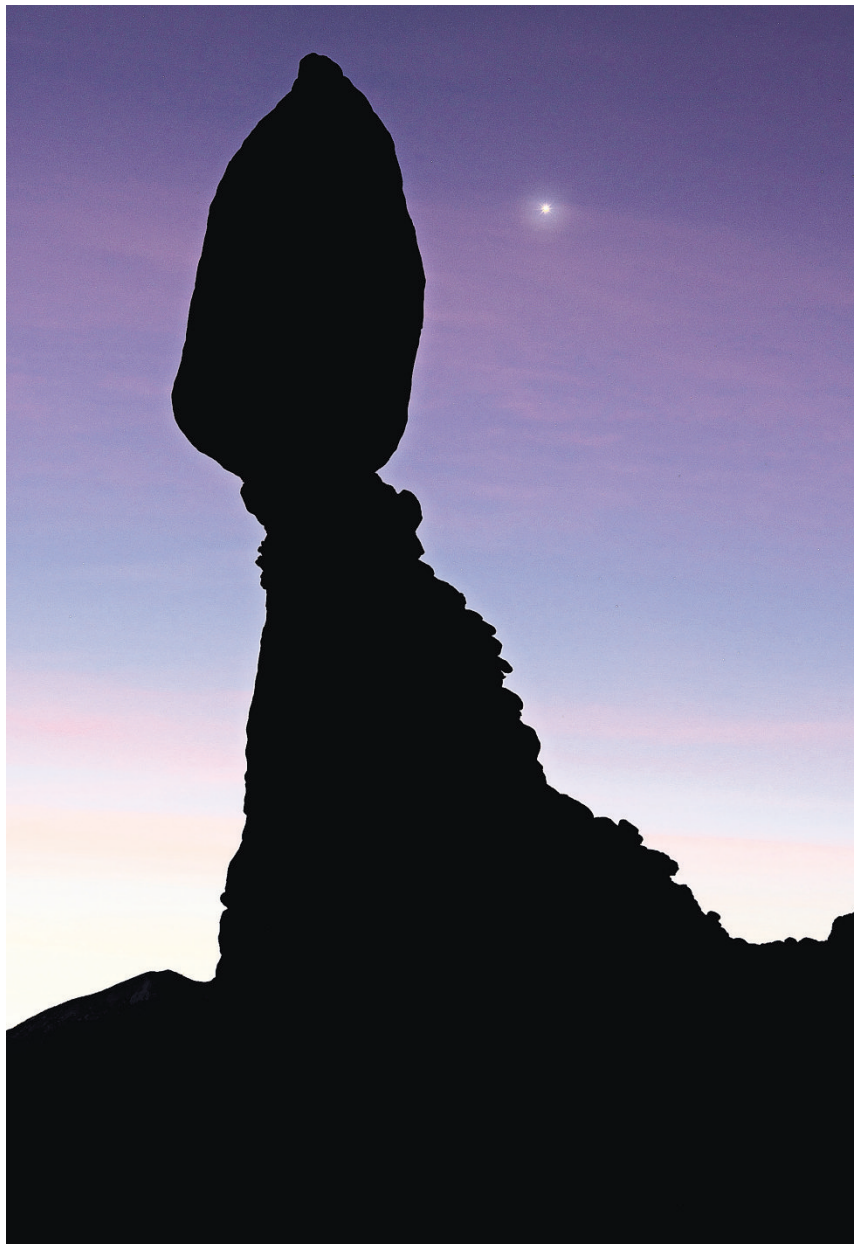
AT 4:30 A.M. on Jan. 17, 1994, a magnitude 6.7 earthquake caused a citywide power outage in Los Angeles. I lived there at the time and was among the many Angelenos who made their way outside, looked up and found a spectacular sight: a vast blanket of stars that had been blotted out for generations by light pollution. It was reported that some people were so bewildered by the diaphanous Milky Way, they called 911 and the Griffith Observatory to report strange, unidentified objects in the sky. I only remember being awe-struck.

Roughly 99 percent of the people living in the United States and Europe see only a dim approximation of stars in the night sky, nothing close to the bright firmament that our ancestors witnessed before humans harnessed electricity. The New World Atlas of Artificial Night Sky Brightness, the study that reported the findings, also found that 83 percent of the world's population cannot see a naturally dark sky because of the light emanating from cities.

Armed with those statistics, I found myself again looking skyward last October, this time lying face up on a long stone slab at Arches National Park in Utah. Surrounded by strangers, I was trying to locate the Pleiades star cluster, also known as the Seven Sisters, and our nearest spiral galaxy, Andromeda. My first trip in two years since the pandemic required a destination that felt new and otherworldly. As it turns out, that is Utah, with its biblical terrain and preternatural cobalt sky, a sky that also happens to be ablaze with stars at night.

Arches National Park is one of 200 International Dark Sky Places, each designated by the Arizona-based International Dark Sky Association (IDA), a group of astronomers, evolutionary biologists and conservationists that promotes awareness of light pollution and its effects on wildlife, climate change and human health.

For Bettymaya Foott, an astrophotographer and the director of engagement for IDA, the detrimental effects of light pollution are profound: “To me one of the most significant ways it affects us as humans is



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A view of Venus before sunrise at Balanced Rock in Arches National Park in Utah.

that it decreases our connection with the universe,” she said. “With all of the divisions going on, looking up to the night sky connects us to the biggest mystery in our world and helps us get in touch with the fact that we are all humans on spaceship Earth.”

In 2001, the IDA began awarding Dark Sky designations to communities, parks, reserves and sanctuaries. To receive the coveted designation, Dark Sky Places must pass through a rigorous application process that includes controlling the directional flow of outdoor lighting, the use of timers, limiting sign illumination, and other policies, including ongoing community education.

There are now Dark Sky Places in 22 countries, including the United States, Canada, Britain, Taiwan, the Netherlands, Namibia, Chile, Denmark and the tiny island nation of Niue in the South Pacific. Several U.S. cities have been designated Dark Sky Communities, 26 in all, including Flagstaff and Sedona, Ariz., and Ketchum, Idaho, along with smaller towns such as Homer Glen, Ill., and Horseshoe Bay, Texas. The IDA also lists 89 designated parks, reserves, and sanctuaries in the United States. Among them is Arches National Park, one of Utah's 15 officially designated Dark Sky Places, the most in one province, state or country.

BENEATH A WANING MOON

In planning my trip to Utah, I took some advice from Ms. Foott and scheduled my trip as close as I could to the new moon, when the sky is darkest.

“Light from the moon may seem dim, but it can dramatically alter the nighttime scene,” Ms. Foott said. “A new moon is the best time to see faint celestial objects that can be washed-out by moonlight, like the Milky Way and faint stars. This can also be achieved when the moon has set, or when the moon is only partially illuminated.”

On the morning of Oct. 4 — as the moon was waning — I deplaned at Salt Lake City International Airport, and headed by car to the town of Moab, about 230 miles southeast and the gateway to Canyonlands and Arches, two of Utah's “Mighty Five” national parks,

which also include Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef and Zion.

In my tiny Ford Fiesta with all the windows down, I got my first glimpse of Utah’s often-photographed sandstone formations, spires, buttes and hoodoos (or earth pyramids), as well as the undulating canyons and natural bridges that make the state so geographically vivid. With only a few days away from caring for an elderly parent, I was constrained for time, so I needed to bypass another nearby hub for stargazers, Canyonlands National Park, and concentrate solely on Arches, where I planned to meet up with an old friend, Thom Harrop, a Utah native and photographer.

After hours of driving, and a little grubby, I pulled into Moab, a former mining town, which acts as a base camp for tourists, rock climbers, mountain bikers, hikers and stargazers. A range of restaurants in Moab caters to a variety of tastes, while a growing number of hotels serve the needs of those who want to kick about the sandstone and then sleep in crisp sheets, a demographic in which I squarely fall.

While still back home in Tennessee, I heard that a long-utilized ad hoc stargazing site at Arches called Panorama Point had recently been upgraded. Joette Langianese, the executive director of the Friends of Arches and Canyonlands Parks, the nonprofit organization that was critical in getting the dark-skies designation for both parks, confirmed that there was now an outdoor sky-viewing space with telescope pads and seating for 75 people.

“Lately, people are going there with their own telescopes, and sometimes a ranger will just come out and talk to them,” Ms. Langianese said. “Both Canyonlands and Arches have scheduled night sky programs, but, because of Covid, they were canceled, so they’ve been happening sort of automatically.”

I’d been keeping a wary eye on an increasingly moody weather forecast, with the most promising night for weather being the day I arrived; that night there would be just a sliver of moon — nearly perfect condi-

tions for stargazing. If I had only one night to commune with the heavens, I was going to make sure I didn’t miss it, so, after unpacking — and a really good vegetable korma at Indo Grill in town — Thom and I made our way to Arches, the route taking us past some of the park’s most fantastic sandstone formations.

FIGHTING LIGHT POLLUTION

During the winding drive, I relayed to Thom the conversation I had recently had with Dr. Jeffrey Hall about the effects of light pollution. Dr. Hall is chairman of the American Astronomical Society’s Committee on Light

Pollution, Radio Interference, and Space Debris. He said the light flooding from cities is making observing the universe more difficult for astronomers, but it also is increasingly impacting the planet’s ecosystems.

“This goes well beyond astronomy,” said Dr. Hall, who is also the director of the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, the first city to be designated a Dark Sky Community in 2001. “Indigenous peoples across the world understand themselves and their origins through stories of the stars, and there are many species that use the night sky for navigation and reproduction. Sea turtles rely on dark beaches to lay eggs; their offspring

use the natural light of the ocean horizon to find the sea. If there are condos or townhouses close by, that natural navigation can get lost.”

Five miles past the park’s entrance, we came upon the Courthouse Towers cluster: the Three Gossips, Sheep Rock, the Organ and the Tower of Babel, a 300-foot rock sentinel so close to the road it made me gasp. Utah is unlike any place I’d ever been, the topography so extraordinary it was impossible not to be in a constant state of astonishment. We drove until we got to the Balanced Rock — 128 feet of precariousness — and then made our way to our destination.



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A view of the Orion constellation from Arches National Park, where night reveals the faintest stars and planets.

We arrived at Panorama Point with the setting sun saturating the sandstone's varying hues of coral and burnt umber. The overlook is well-suited for stargazing because its position on a hill offers unencumbered views. With some sunlight left, we could see the La Sal Mountains and the Fiery Furnace, a collection of narrow canyons, fins and natural arches near the park's center.

Stargazing is a year-round activity, Ms. Foott said. The cooler seasons are better for air clarity because cold air cannot hold as much moisture as warm air, and moisture-heavy atmosphere can make the sky hazy. The Milky Way's galactic core is visible from March through November, when I was there. From November through February, she said, it's the outer edge of our spiral galaxy that we see.

While Thom was setting up his camera, I talked with Grace and Jim Bishop, an amiable couple who were voyaging through Utah's public lands.

"We're here specifically for this," Ms. Bishop said, motioning skyward. "We've wanted to do this for a long time, traveling though the national parks in southern Utah primarily for the night sky."

They were not alone. People from South Dakota, Missouri, Oklahoma, Florida and New Mexico were there. Astrophotographers and weekend astronomers were setting up tripods. Groups were unfolding lawn chairs and pulling out blankets. We were all prepping for something people had taken for granted for thousands of years.

Twelve long stone slabs were available in the viewing area, long enough for an adult human to lie down on, which is what I did. A young family with two boys under 8 sat on the long stone next to me. They were looking at a tablet, then up at the sky, making use of, I gathered, this perfect confluence for a family outing during a pandemic: a beautiful setting, ideal weather and a little digital learning beneath the stars.

As the sun retreated below the horizon, my eyes began to adjust to dusk. Watching the night sky change is something I had never done, and it was more eventful than I ex-

With biblical terrain and cobalt skies, a trip through Utah's national parks can feel new and otherworldly.



pected. Every now and then someone would quietly say "wow" as a planet would come into view: Mercury, Venus, Saturn and massive Jupiter, so bright it looked counterfeit. It was as if we were all at a royal wedding waiting for the bride: the Milky Way.

I had downloaded an app called SkyView for \$1.99 that, when held up to the sky, would show and name the planet or star within its view, every sky object imaginable, even the International Space Station. I found the Pleiades star cluster and the Andromeda galaxy. I'd heard that, with binoculars, one could see Andromeda's spiral, so I brought them out; I couldn't determine its shape, but then again, I didn't know we had a "neighboring galaxy" we could see until about a month before my trip.

This sky was so lousy with stars it was difficult to make out anything specific, but my app easily found the constellations Peg-

asus, Leo, Capricorn and Virgo, my zodiac sign. Even with an overcast sky, or in a bright city, sky-charting apps work because our phones know the date, time and our location, and then, using their compass and gyroscope, they can show us what's in the sky even if we can't see it.

I put my phone down, gazed up and recognized that what I had thought was a long and high gossamer-like cloud was, in fact, the dust, gas and billions of stars that make up the Milky Way. Over the next hour it became so pronounced that it was one of the most heart-stoppingly beautiful things I'd ever seen: slightly white and effervescent in certain parts; in other places tributaries of purple and gray appeared to be emanating from its center. North, south, east and west were rendered arbitrary as Earth became irrelevant. I stayed for at least another hour because I knew I might not have a

chance like this any time soon.

And I didn't. The following night the rain released the earthy smell of Utah's sandstone. The third night was expected to be cloudy, so I hung out with my friend who lives with his wife in Denver. Over lunch, we pulled up a light pollution map on my laptop. The map showed that our respective home cities are seriously affected by sky glow.

A few weeks after I returned home to Nashville, I drove an hour and a half west into "the country" and looked up. It was a good night for stars, but not star-spangled.

I put my app to the sky and on my screen viewed the vast firmament of stars that I would have been able to see if it were not for the competing light from the surrounding communities. I wondered if viewing stars through smartphones would ultimately be how we would experience a vivid night sky.

For now, I'll gladly travel.

Can Travel Be a Force for Peace? This Tour Leader Thinks So.

A company explores both sides of longstanding conflicts in places like Belfast and Jerusalem.

By Paige McClanahan

AZIZ ABU SARAH and his business partner, Scott Cooper, had a big ambition when they started their tour company: They wanted to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

Well, sort of. It was kind of a joke between the two of them, Mr. Abu Sarah said recently. But the two friends — one a Palestinian who grew up in Jerusalem, the other an American Jew — had worked together in international conflict mediation and resolution in places like Syria, Afghanistan and Colombia. Feeling limited by the number of people they could reach through that work, Mr. Abu Sarah and Mr. Cooper decided to apply their experience in a completely different realm: tourism.

Their goal was nothing less than to transform travel — and travelers — into a force for peace.

A defining feature of the tour company they founded in 2009 is the “dual narrative” tour, in which a group of tourists is led by two guides: one from either side of a longstanding conflict or division that has affected the area that the group is visiting. On the company’s tour of Ireland and Northern Ireland, for example, a Unionist and a Nationalist jointly lead the tour of sites around Belfast, Derry and Dublin. And on their tour of the Holy Land, the groups visit Tel Aviv, Bethlehem and Jerusalem accompanied by both a Palestinian Arab and an Israeli Jew.

“Literally, everyone we knew told us this was the dumbest idea,” Mr. Abu Sarah said recently from his home in South Carolina. “They thought that nobody would ever pay to do something like this. But within a year, we proved them wrong.”

More than a decade after its founding, Mejdí Tours has hosted over 20,000 guests, and the company now runs trips to the Balkans, Colombia, Egypt, Morocco, Chile and Costa Rica, among other places. Meanwhile, Mr. Abu Sarah has been named a TED Fellow and a National Geographic Emerging Explorer. He has also written a book that makes the case for travel as a force for peace.

The company’s tours have been mostly



MEJDI TOURS

on hold during the pandemic, but Mr. Abu Sarah and Mr. Cooper used the downtime to develop or expand several new trips in the United States, including a history-of-civil-rights tour of the South, an Indigenous tour of the Southwest, and “Red/Blue Divide tours” of Washington, D.C., and Detroit.

When I reached him, Mr. Abu Sarah was about to head off to lead a group tour in Egypt. But he took the time to talk about the danger of the single narrative, the power of bringing together opposing perspectives, and what he learned from the hardest trip he’s ever taken.

Our conversation has been edited for length and clarity.

Why is the dual narrative approach so important?

In so many places that Scott and I had traveled to, we always came across a single dominant narrative, and then there were all these other narratives that were never given a voice in the public sphere. So with our tours, we thought: “No more single story. No more single narrative.” We decided to start in Jerusalem, Palestine and Israel, because Scott is Jewish and I’m Palestinian, and that’s the area we knew the best. And what we’ve seen is that the dual narrative is so powerful because it gives you the opportunity to hear different opinions, but also to understand the people you meet, to understand their fear and their anger, and to really fall in love with the place you’re visiting.

The discussions must get heated sometimes. Have you ever had problems with tension in the groups?

It’s extremely rare. If there are conflicts, it’s personality oriented, which you would see on any group tour. We have very conservative people and very liberal people coming on the same trips, but because these two guides with different backgrounds are able to hold a conversation, that somehow helps the group to hold these conversations, as well, without starting to fight. So we almost never have a problem between the guests

themselves — or between the guides, which was the other worry people had.

And now you’re applying this approach to tours in the U.S.?

I used to live in Washington, D.C., which is a very segregated city, especially on a class level, and I realized that my friends and I wouldn’t venture out of the neighborhoods we already knew. So we started to develop a tour of the city, and we got a Republican and a Democrat to co-lead it. That first trip was incredible. Watching the news, you would think that if you put a Republican and a Democrat together, they would just talk past each other. But that wasn’t the case at all. One of the most interesting conversations we had was on a visit to the Heritage Foundation, which is very conservative. Some of the liberal people in the tour group had never had this kind of open conversation with a conservative that wasn’t just sound bites, but a real, productive conversation. By the end of it, the discussion was about “What’s the solution?” rather than “You’re doing this wrong or that wrong.” It was fascinating. And that’s what happens on our tours in Israel and Palestine. That’s what happens in Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia.

You spent your childhood in a place with a history of conflict. How has that experience informed this work?

I grew up in Jerusalem, but I never had a real conversation with a Jewish-Israeli person until I was 18 years old. My brother was killed by being beaten up in prison by Israeli soldiers, so I grew up very angry, very much with the idea that the other is evil. And then when I was 18, I decided to study Hebrew because I had to — not because I wanted to. Living in Jerusalem, you can’t survive without Hebrew. I remember walking into the class thinking, “None of these people probably want me to be here.” And I couldn’t have been more wrong. My Hebrew teacher was the most incredible human being. She even tried to speak Arabic to me to make me feel welcome. And that was the first time I felt

“We tend to think of travel in terms of distance, but I think travel is really a lifestyle, a state of mind.”

Aziz Abu Sarah of Mejdi Tours in Patagonia in Chile.

like I was treated like a human being by the other.

But before that moment, I only knew one narrative of Israel, and many Israelis probably only know one narrative of Palestinians: the one they hear in the news.

Is that what you mean when you say that the most difficult trips can be the ones that are closest to home?

I think it can be much easier to be open to learning about issues or problems that are happening five or six thousand miles away. Often when I talk about my work with Syrian refugees, people will say, “Oh, I would like to go and volunteer with Syrian refugees in Jordan or Turkey.” And I ask them, “Have you volunteered with Syrian refugees in your own community? Because if not, you should start there, and then maybe go to Syria.”

We tend to think of travel in terms of distance, but I think travel is really a lifestyle, a state of mind. And if you learn to travel in your own community, you’ll learn to travel when you go abroad. For me, the hardest trip I ever took was going from my home in East Jerusalem to West Jerusalem. It’s just a 15- or 20-minute walk, but making that trip brought about the biggest change for me, because it challenged me the most.

Many people want to relax when they go on vacation. Why should they choose to go on a challenging, dual-narrative trip?

There’s an assumption that when people travel, they’re not interested in learning. And that’s not true. Even surveys tell us it’s not true. People want to do good as they travel, and they are looking for culture and connection. I have fun in my travels: I go see museums, I swim in the ocean, I enjoy music, all of that. But that’s not all that I do. I like to say that travel is an act of diplomacy: Be a diplomat as you’re traveling and go out and meet someone new and hear their stories. And it’s so much fun! It’s the thing that you will remember, and that you’ll tell people about when you come back.

Wonders Off the Coast of Honduras

The waters encircling the island of Roatán offer some of the most accessible reef diving anywhere.

By Elisabeth Goodridge



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SCUBA DIVERS ARE much like children, I imagine, to dive-resort owners: They are almost always wonderful to have, but at night, it’s best if they are safely in their beds.

This thought popped into my head at the end of a night dive, off the southern shore of the Honduran island of Roatán in December. As the sun set, four of us had waded into the dark waters that lay only yards from the Reef House Resort, and swam down the side of a steep underwater cliff, holding flash-

lights to illuminate trumpet fish, lobsters, brain coral, sea fans and the other marine life that call this part of the nearly 700-mile Mesoamerican Reef home. Night dives were new to me: The inky darkness was exhilarating, mysterious, alive and more than a little frightening.

After 45 minutes of underwater wonderment, I safely ascended and surfaced while Aaren, my travel partner, and our new scuba buddies, Will and Kris, stayed just below,

A focus on balancing the return of tourism (and divers) with the fragility of the marine environment.

taking one last photograph. But instead of emerging to silence and milky white stars, I saw a figure with a flashlight standing on the nearby jetty, shouting.

“Follow my light! Do you hear my voice? Swim to me,” called Davey Byrne, a co-owner of the Reef House, our home for three nights over the Christmas holiday.

Surprised, I responded by blurting out the first thing in my head: “It’s OK! We were just looking at two cuttle fish!”

Mr. Byrne laughed and said no problem, he simply wanted to make sure we were all right. The bar, and dinner, were waiting whenever we got out of the water.

EAT, DIVE, SLEEP, REPEAT

Roatán, about 35 miles off the northern coast of mainland Honduras, is the largest of the Bay Islands, an archipelago encircled by some of the prettiest and most accessible coral reefs anywhere in the world. Deciding not to cancel this international trip — our first since the pandemic began — was a gut buster. The virus and its impact on travel has been at the forefront of my mind as a travel editor for nearly two years. What if I brought the virus to the island? What if I tested positive and fell ill? What if our flights were among the thousands canceled? The questions were endless and the judgment — unspoken, spoken and internal — brutal.

Aaren and I were both boosted and tested negative before our flight. Other precautions included wearing double K95 masks while flying as well as on our three taxi rides. We brought our own scuba regulators and other gear, and planned to spend our time outside, mainly with each other, or underwater.

The Bay Islands lie along the southern end of the Mesoamerican Reef, one of the largest barrier reefs in the world (Australia's Great Barrier Reef comes first in this category) — it touches Guatemala, Mexico and Belize, as well as Honduras. It's a vibrant, diverse marine ecosystem, with around 65 coral species, more than 500 types of fish, and almost countless other examples of marine life like sea turtles and sponges.

It delivered. We made our base at the rustic 10-room Reef House, on a cay a brief boat ride from the village of Oakridge, and spent our days eating, diving, sleeping, on repeat. Four days, eight dives, one snorkel, countless creatures, breathtaking beauty. None of the dive sites were more than a 10-minute ride from the resort, on the dive boat docked at the Reef House. Swimming down vertical reef walls and through coral canyons, we spotted green moray eels, nurse sharks, toadfish, puffer fish, schools of blue chromis



Roatán, the largest of the Bay Islands, is encircled by the Mesoamerican Reef, a vibrant, diverse marine ecosystem with around 65 coral species and more than 500 types of fish. A view of the setting sun from the Xbalanque Resort. The resident parrot at Reef House is named Polly.

and invasive lionfish. The colors, textures and shapes of the corals and sea fans ranged from the reds and greens of Christmas to a landscape of cactus-like corals in shades of sand and lavender. Never were there more than four divers on an outing, excluding our dive master, nor another boat at the mooring.

A FRAGILE ECONOMY

This lack of company was glorious, although not so much to the Reef House or

the island's greater economy. The Bay Islands had a prepandemic economy almost entirely based on tourism, an evolution that came after the island's commercial fishing collapsed. Tourism started when the scuba community and "the hardy" found the archipelago in the 1970s, but with the arrival of major cruise lines in the 2000s, its popularity exploded, with three ships or more arriving each day, three or more days a week in the high season before the pandemic.

In 2005, several local dive operators established the Roatán Marine Park, now a 22-employee nonprofit that aims to conserve the reef with coral restoration efforts, coastline patrolling, research, and community engagement and education. It's part of the Bay Islands National Marine Park, a marine sanctuary declared by the government of Honduras in 2010 to protect the coast and marine life around the islands.

"From taxi drivers to scuba divers, the reef is important to everyone," Gabriela Ochoa, a program manager for the Roatán Marine Park, said of the local population. "I think at least one person in every household relies on the tourism sector. Basically, this island runs on tourism."

In March 2020, the Bay Islands abruptly shut to cruise ships and both international and domestic flights for more than six months. For the early part of the pandemic, the local population was under strict curfew. No visiting the beach. Twice-monthly access to food stores. GoFundMe campaigns as well as soup kitchens and food pantries were created to help residents.

"We saw some amazing things here," said Mr. Byrne, playing dominoes one afternoon at the quiet Reef House bar, which overlooks the ocean and the reef below. "But we really wanted some tourists to share it with."

The Reef House, awash in charm and hospitality, is on the quieter eastern side of the island. There are no TVs in the guest rooms and no shampoo in the bathrooms; on two nights — including Christmas Eve — I fell asleep to the dance music blaring through our room's walls from a nearby bar. Come for the diving, not the luxury.

The Reef House is far from Roatán's more established tourist infrastructure, which you encounter in West Bay. We spent our last two nights there, at the Xbalanque Resort, a boutique hotel about an hour's drive from Oakridge and 20 minutes from the island's airport. Built into the verdant hillside, the hotel offered spacious, airy rooms: Our "Wind Elemental Loft," just a short walk from the beach, came with a plunge pool. One morning, as I sipped coffee there — feet

dipped in the water — a troop of white-faced capuchin monkeys fed in the trees.

The beach at Xbalanque offered Instagram views of ocean sunsets, and, I imagine, many guests never leave its pool and landscaped grounds. But on our first morning we hit the water again, paddling one of the resort's two-person kayaks a few miles down the shore, checking out the beaches and waterfront restaurants and boisterous vacationers. We passed on kite-surfing and a ride on a glass-bottom boat, but gaped at black iguanas in the coral cliffs at the island's far western edge and the sailboats anchored offshore. We took turns kayaking and snorkeling back to the hotel beach.

A FRAGILE ECOSYSTEM

Aaren spotted the differences first (he is a marine biologist, so of course he did). On the western side of the island, the corals appeared to be smaller, and carried more algae. The underwater scene still delighted — when I was in the water, two tuna swam by, a suspicious barracuda checked me out, three remora, sometimes known as suckerfish, may have wanted to stick their heads on my head, and that sea turtle grazing on sea grass will never be forgotten — but it was clear, even to a nonexpert, that there were fewer fish, fewer corals, less life.

I learned the reasons later, from Ian Drysdale, the Honduras coordinator of the Healthy Reefs for Healthy People Initiative. For the past 14 years, this nonprofit has brought together the governments of Honduras, Belize, Mexico and Guatemala, along with 80 partner organizations, to analyze the health of the Mesoamerican Reef. Every two years, the nonprofit issues a report card that assesses the main indicators of reef health: the percentage of live coral cover and that of macroalgae on the 286 monitored sites, as well as the abundance of herbivorous fish (like parrotfish), and grouper and other commercially important species.

The reef is having a very hard time. For years, this part of the island — and its corals — took on most of the stress of the tourist population. Then the lack of tourists during

the pandemic led to food insecurity among the Bay Islanders, and poaching increased by 150 percent, Ms. Ochoa said.

Meanwhile, warming waters brought on by climate change are leading to coral bleaching. But for experts like Mr. Drysdale and Ms. Ochoa, concern now lies with stony coral tissue loss disease, considered by the Healthy Reef Initiative to be “the most lethal coral disease known.” It can kill off stony corals — the major pillar of healthy reefs — in a matter of weeks or months. First identified on the Mesoamerican Reef in Mexico in 2018, the disease — its cause is unknown — has slowly spread along the reef to the

Bay Islands. It arrived off Roatán's West End in October 2020, said Ms. Ochoa, and in Oakridge in September 2021.

“Unfortunately, we are experiencing one of the largest coral die-offs ever,” Mr. Drysdale said. “We have lost about 50 percent of corals in the areas where the disease is prevalent.”

The community of Roatán, for better or for worse, relies on its reef, and now certified divers can give back: Researchers have determined that a topical application of marine epoxy and antibiotics can hamper the spread of stony coral tissue loss disease among some species of hard corals.

Now they are looking to train certified divers, including environmentally minded tourists, to apply antibiotics, with a large syringe, into pillar, brain and other stony corals. The project in Honduras is spearheaded by the Roatán Marine Park; working with local dive shops, the nonprofit has organized orientation and training sessions for certified divers to help the reefs, either with syringes, collecting data or tagging corals for future evaluation.

“You are taught all this time to not touch corals, that's the golden rule, and now we say not only touch it, but use this syringe,” Ms. Ochoa said.



A ride on a glass-bottom boat at West Bay allows for dry viewing of the coral reefs. The village of Oakridge sits on the water's edge, with the Reef House Resort a short boat ride away from Roatán on a separate cay.



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The initiative has treated 3,000 corals so far — “it’s a small number when you think about the reef itself,” Ms. Ochoa warned — and the treatment, she said, has been found “pretty effective, 60 to 70 percent, for some species.” She tries to be optimistic.

“These animals have been here for thousands of years,” she said. But “some corals are more susceptible than others, and some of these will be lost.”

IMPORTANT TIES

During our dives in this beautiful ecosystem, the coronavirus and its related worries

were finally far from my mind. The exposure to this marine community, however, led me to ponder how important relationships are, both under the sea and above the water, on the shores of Roatán and beyond.

Symbiotic relationships are common in the natural world. On the world’s coral reefs, parrotfish feed on algae, keeping the plants in check, allowing corals to grow (mutualistic is the term biologists use), while those remora fish prefer to hitch a ride on sharks, not snorkelers (that’s a commensalistic relationship).

The pandemic laid bare the relationship

that many destinations around the world have with tourists. It’s a relationship that is at times both mutualistic and commensalistic, although many would argue that it is, overall, parasitic. Now, with the reflection gained from the pandemic travel lull, we have a chance, perhaps an obligation, to rethink our own relationships with the places we visit and rebuild them stronger. That might mean not only opening our wallets, but turning to smart organizations like the Roatán Marine Park for guidance and education, and even, perhaps, wielding a medical syringe as we explore a coral reef.

So, instead of banning visitors outright to environmentally sensitive places, said Mr. Drysdale of Healthy Reefs, a portion of travel revenue could be devoted to reducing their impact, such as modernizing wastewater treatment plants or improving plastic recycling.

As for Roatán itself, Mr. Drysdale said, he hopes sustainable travelers will come, and become acquainted with the island’s beauty, and then he paraphrased some words from the famed ecologist Baba Dioum: “You won’t protect what you don’t know, and you protect what you love.”

What’s on TV? Maybe a Great Vacation.

Themed itineraries are on the rise, dropping travelers into the middle of their favorite story lines.

By Debra Kamin

WITH 70 PERCENT of Americans watching more TV in 2021 than they did in 2020, binge-watching has skyrocketed during the pandemic. Now, as borders reopen, restrictions ease and travel restarts, tour advisers are fielding an increasingly popular request: immersive, TV-themed itineraries that allow travelers to live out their favorite shows’ story lines.

In Britain, hotels in London have partnered with Netflix to offer Lady Whistledown-themed teas inspired by “Bridgerton” high society. In Yellowstone National Park, travelers are arriving in Wyoming not for a glimpse of Old Faithful, but for a chance to cosplay as John Dutton from the hit drama “Yellowstone.”

And in South Korea, street food vendors on Jeju Island are anticipating a run on dalgona candy, the honeycomb toffees that played a central role in “Squid Game.”

“When you fall in love with a character, you can’t get it out of your mind,” said Antonina Pattiz, 30, a blogger who last year got hooked on “Outlander,” the steamy, time-traveling drama about Claire Beauchamp, a nurse transported 200 years back in history.

Ms. Pattiz and her husband, William, binge-watched the Starz show together, and planned an “Outlander”-themed trip to Scotland to visit sites from the show, including Midhope Castle, which stands in as Lallybroch, the family home of another character, Jamie Fraser.

Mr. Pattiz is part Scottish, Ms. Pattiz said, and their joint interest in the show kicked off a desire on his part to explore his roots. “You watch the show and you really start to connect with the characters and you just want to know more,” she said.

The fifth season of “Outlander” was available in February 2020, and Starz’s 142 percent increase in new subscribers early in the pandemic has been largely attributed to a jump in locked-down viewers discovering the show. During the ensuing two-year hiatus before Season 6 hit screens — a period of time known by fans as “Droughtlander” — “Outlander”-related attractions



COURTESY OF CLUB WYNDHAM

Club Wyndham teamed up with the Hallmark Channel to design three suites tied to the “Countdown to Christmas” holiday movie event. They sold out in seven hours.

in Scotland, like Glencoe, which appears in the show’s opening credits, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, saw more than 1.7 million visitors. “Outlander”-related content on Visit Scotland’s website generated more than 350,000 page views, ahead of content pegged to the filming there of Harry Potter and James Bond movies.

The Pattizes, who live in New York City, chose a 12-day self-driving sample itinerary provided by Visit Scotland, winding from Edinburgh to Fife to Glasgow, with stops at castles and gardens where Claire fell in love

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and Jamie’s comrades died in battle. Private tour companies, including Nordic Visitor and Inverness Tours, have also unveiled customized tours.

ENDURING TREND, NEW INTENSITY
Screen tourism, which encompasses not just pilgrimages to filming locations but also studio tours and visits to amusement parks like The Wizarding World of Harry Potter, is an enduring trend. Tourists flocked to Salzburg in the 1960s after the release of “The Sound of Music”; in recent decades, locations like

New Zealand saw a huge bump in visits from “Lord of the Rings” fans, and bus tours in New York City have offered tourists a chance to go on location of “Sex and the City” and “The Marvelous Ms. Maisel.”

But with tourists making up for squandered time, screen tourism is taking on a new intensity, said Rachel Kazez, a Chicago-based mental health therapist.

Ms. Kazez has clients eager to travel — another major trend for 2022 is “going big” — but they are looking for ways to tamp down the anxiety that may accompany those supersized ambitions.

She said her patients increasingly are saying: “I was cooped up for a year and I just want to go nuts. Let’s do whatever fantasy we’ve been thinking about.”

“If we’ve been watching a TV show, we know everything about it, and we can go and have a totally immersive experience that’s also extremely predictable,” Ms. Kazez continued.

Cyndi Lam, a pharmacist in Fairfax, Va., has longed to go to Morocco for years. But she didn’t feel confident about doing so until “Inventing Anna,” the nine-episode drama about the sham heiress Anna Delvey, began streaming on Netflix.

In episode six of “Inventing Anna,” the character flies to Marrakesh and stays at La Mamounia, a lavish five-star resort. Ms. Lam and her husband are now booked to stay there in September.

“Everybody can kind of relate to Anna,” Ms. Lam said. “I found her character to be fascinating, and when she went to Morocco, I was like, ‘OK, we’re going to Morocco.’ It sealed the deal.”

Sensing a new desire among guests to tap into the scripted universe, dozens of hotels over the past year have rolled out themed suites inspired by popular shows.

Graduate Hotels has a “Stranger Things”-themed suite at its Bloomington, Ind., location, with areas designed like the living room and basement of central characters like the Byers. A blinking alphabet of Christmas lights and Eleven’s favorite Eggo waffles are included.

In December, Club Wyndham teamed up with the Hallmark Channel to design three “Countdown to Christmas”-themed suites where guests could check in and binge Christmas films. They sold out in seven hours.

“It was the first time we’d done anything like this,” Lara Richardson, chief marketing officer for Crown Media Family Networks, said in an email. “One thing we hear over and over from viewers is that, as much they love our products, they want to step inside a ‘Countdown to Christmas’ movie.”

Vacation homes are also going immersive.

For families, Airbnb partnered with BBC to list the Heeler House, a real-world incarnation of the home on the beloved animated series “Bluey,” and Vrbo has 10 rental homes inspired by “Yes Day,” the 2021 Netflix film about parents who remove “no” from their vocabulary.

Celebrities are jumping in, too: Issa Rae, creator and star of HBO’s “Insecure,” offered

an exclusive look at her neighborhood in South Los Angeles in February with a special Airbnb listing, at a rock-bottom price of \$56.

TEA ON TV, IN LONDON AND BOSTON

“Bridgerton,” Netflix’s British period drama about family, love and savage gossip, was streamed by 82 million households in 2021. (For comparison, the finale of “Breaking Bad” in 2013 had 10.3 million viewers; more recent streaming hits, including “Tiger King” and “Maid,” had fewer than 70 million.)

When season two of “Bridgerton” premiered in March, Beaverbrook Town House, a hotel built across two Georgian townhouses in London’s Chelsea, offered a “Bridgerton” experience that included a day out in London and drinks in the British countryside; nearby at the Lanesborough, a Bridgerton-themed tea, cheekily dubbed “the social event of the season,” kicked off the same day.



COURTESY OF THE LANESBOROUGH

In Boston, the Fairmont Copley Plaza now has a “High Society Package” for fans with flowers and a private afternoon tea.

Contiki, the group travel company for 18- to 35-year-olds, had a “Bridgerton”-themed itinerary set for September 2021 but had to scrap it when the Delta variant hit. It has now partnered with Amazon Prime on a Hawaiian Islands trip inspired by “I Know What You Did Last Summer,” set for July.

Both Netflix and Amazon Prime have brand partnership teams that handle collaborations of this nature.

“As we come out of this pandemic, the desire for more immersive experiences is really stronger than ever,” said Adam Armstrong, Contiki’s chief executive. “It’s about getting under the skin of destinations, creating those Instagrammable moments that recreate stuff from films and movies. It’s really a strong focus for us.”

The popularity of “Bridgerton” on Netflix was eclipsed by “Squid Game,” the high-stakes South Korean survival drama, and despite that show’s carnage, travelers are booking Squid Game vacations, too.

Remote Lands, an Asia-focused travel agency, reported a 25 percent increase in interest in South Korean travel and created a Seoul guide for fans and a customized itinerary.

Some travel advisers say that some clients don’t even want to explore the locations they’re traveling to. They just want to be there while they continue binge-watching.

Emily Lutz, a travel adviser in Los Angeles, said that more than 20 percent of her total requests over the past few months have been for travel to Yellowstone National Park, a result of the popularity of “Yellowstone,” the western family drama starring Kevin Costner on the Paramount Network and other streaming services.

And not all of Ms. Lutz’s clients are interested in hiking.

“I had a client who wrote me and said, ‘All we want to do is rent a lodge in the mountains, sit in front of the fireplace, and watch episodes of ‘Yellowstone’ — while we’re in Yellowstone,’” she said.

Vegan Travel: It's Not Fringe Anymore

From Mexico to Greece, plant-centric hotels, restaurants and tours are proliferating.

By Elaine Glusac

WHEN SHE WENT vegan about four years ago, Colleen Corbett, a bartender based in Tampa, Fla., thought she might starve or be forced to eat meat when traveling abroad. Instead, it was just the beginning of her explorations of the burgeoning vegan destinations that have flourished around the world.

"It's changed how I make my bucket list," she said in an interview between trips to Peru in December and Dublin in March. "It used to be just scenic stuff. Now, I find myself adding cities I wouldn't have had an interest in before, but have booming vegan scenes. I just added Warsaw."

While vegans and vegetarians are minorities in the United States, a growing number of people are more interested in reducing their meat consumption, often for environmental reasons, as livestock operations significantly produce climate-disruptive methane gas.

The travel industry is countering with plant-centric hotels, restaurants, festivals and tours as veganism becomes increasingly associated with sustainable travel, and not just during what some people are calling Veganuary, an annual January campaign to highlight the plant-based diet in the month traditionally associated with good intentions.

"Collectively, we're far more aware of the planetary impacts of food than we were even five years ago," said Justin Francis, the co-founder and chief executive of Responsible Travel, a sustainability-focused tour operator, which has seen demand for its vegan trips quadruple in the past decade. "As more people switch to planet-friendly diets, travel is responding to that."

FLAVORING PLANTS

Vegan diets consist exclusively of plant-based foods, excluding meat as well as animal-derived foods such as eggs, dairy products and honey.

A 2019 survey by Ipsos Retail Performance found that 9.7 million Americans were vegan compared with about 300,000 15 years before. However, a 2018 Gallup poll found the 5 percent of Americans who said



ANSE CHASTENET

Anse Chastenet resort on St. Lucia has vegan cooking classes, a vegan restaurant and a vegan beer brewery.

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they were vegetarian and the 3 percent who said they were vegan were little changed from 2012.

Still, many are eating greener. In a 2019 Nielsen survey, 62 percent of Americans said they were willing to reduce meat consumption based on environmental concerns. Many have satisfied their carnivorous cravings with fake meats by brands like Beyond Meat and Impossible Foods.

"Never before has the demand for plant-based fine dining been as popular," said Joan Roca, the founder and chief executive of Essentialist, a members-only travel-planning service. He expects "environmentally conscious dining" to grow in 2022.

VEGAN BED AND BOARD

Hotels are rolling out the plant-based welcome mat with vegan menus and interior design.

Vegan restaurant additions span the range of lodgings, from Marriott Bonvoy's Aloft Hotels — which recently added vegan and vegetarian breakfast items in its grab-and-go lobby markets at more than 150 North American hotels — to the high-end Peninsula Hotels, which launched a

new wellness initiative in March, including plant-based dishes as well as sleep-promoting aromatherapy.

Since 2017, when it hired the vegan chef Leslie Durso, the Four Seasons Resort Punta Mita in Mexico has been accommodating an expanding range of diets. She now offers more than 200 vegan menu items and creates dishes based on guest allergies and dietary restrictions. “Instead of dealing with this as an afterthought, we are providing a safe place for travelers to relax and unwind that has already anticipated their needs,” she wrote in an email.

Rooms are also going vegan with plant-based amenities and interior design.

On Mykonos, in Greece, Koukoumi Hotel opened in 2020 with a vegan restaurant, a spa that uses only plant-based massage oils and rooms furnished with vegan mattresses made with coconut fiber. In the United Arab Emirates, the 394-room Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi opened two vegan rooms in February with vegan mini-bars and room service.

In London, among its 292 rooms, Hilton London Bankside offers a vegan suite built with plant-based materials, including bamboo flooring and pineapple-based plant-leather cushions. A pillow menu offers down-free stuffing options such as buckwheat and millet, and vegan snacks fill the minibar. Guests have designated plant-leather seating in the restaurant.

“People love it because we take it so seriously,” said James Clarke, the general manager of the hotel, adding that “it’s not cheap,” running upward of \$800 a night.

Vegan activities have also grown at Anse Chastanet Resort on St. Lucia, which added a vegan restaurant four years ago. Its vegan chef offers Rastafarian Creole cooking classes, which are vegan. Chocolate-making classes produce vegan bars, and an on-site craft brewery uses fruit and cassava in its vegan beers.

Karolin Troubetzkoy, the co-owner of the resort, compared having vegan options to maintaining eco-centric operations. “A certain percent of travelers check, and vegan is



EAGER TOURIST; BELOW, FOUR SEASONS RESORT PUNTA MITA

In Tel Aviv, a group offers vegan culinary tours that visit food markets, farmers and restaurants. Below, the noodle bowl at Four Seasons Resort Punta Mita in Mexico.



the same thing,” she said. “A small percent say they come here because you have a vegan restaurant, but that will grow,” she added, noting the resort recently held a vegan wedding for 24 people.

NO MORE FRENCH FRIES FOR DINNER

For travelers who don’t want to research each meal, vegan tour operators and travel agents offer the assurance that they will be able to maintain their diets and eat well.

Brighe Reed and Sebastien Ranger were disappointed with expensive plates of pas-

ta with tomato sauce and a lack of soy milk on the breakfast buffet at high-end hotels, experiences that helped guide their company, World Vegan Travel, which offers trips including gorilla safaris in Rwanda and villa-based tours of Tuscany.

“When 20 people are coming for three nights, hotels are more likely to make an effort than they are for one person,” Ms. Reed said.

Leslie Lukas-Recio, a former food importer who lives in Portland, Ore., was experienced at traveling abroad when she joined a World Vegan trip to Alsace, France, in 2018.

“If you want to experience the culture or focus on the outdoors, the last thing you want to worry about is trying to find something that isn’t French fries and a green salad,” she said.

Donna Zeigfinger, the owner of Green Earth Travel, makes sure hotels know her clients are vegan and gets them to swap out feather bedding. For Heidi Prescott, a client and frequent cruiser based in North Potomac, Md., the notification often triggered a shipboard letter from the culinary staff requesting a meeting.

“I always hated meeting with the chef,” Ms. Prescott said. “I would eat around it.”

Now, there is much more vegan variety at sea — Regent Seven Seas Cruises offers more than 200 plant-based dishes, and Virgin Voyages has a plant-focused restaurant aboard its ship, Scarlet Lady. Last fall, Ms. Prescott sailed with Oceania Cruises around the Baltic Sea. The line carries staples like cashew cheese and identifies vegan choices on pasta and grain-bowl bars.

Paul Tully, a vegan and the chief executive of Better Safaris, organizes vegan-friendly sustainable trips to Africa, where he said it’s relatively easy to eat vegan. “Surprisingly, it’s been the airlines which appear to be slow on this uptick in veganism, many still offering extremely bland food and limited options for vegans,” he wrote in an email.

VEGAN-FRIENDLY DESTINATIONS

Destinations, by contrast, are keen to trumpet their vegan cred.

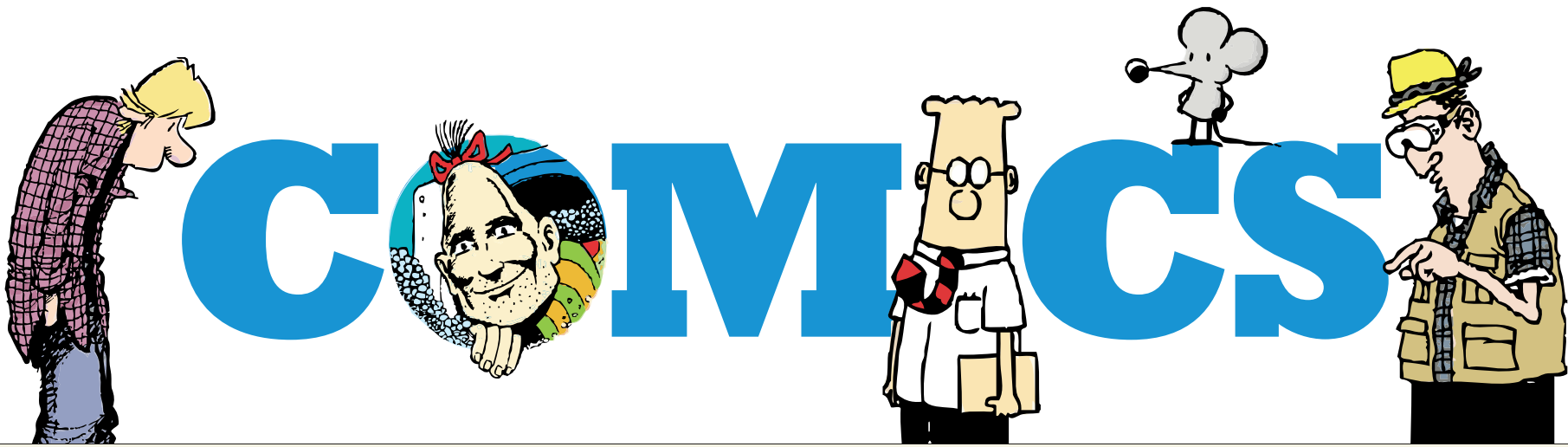
In September, the tour operator Vegan Travel Asia by VegVoyages is planning what it calls the first vegan festival in the Himalayan region, taking place in Nepal and Bhutan, with panel discussions, cooking workshops and a Vegan Village of more than 100 exhibitors.

HappyCow, a digital platform for vegan dining, ranks London as the top city globally for vegan dining with more than 150 vegan restaurants, followed by New York, Berlin, Los Angeles and Toronto.

But veganism is becoming easier to find in more rural areas — Argyll, in western Scotland, has a new vegan trail connecting vegan cafes and inns — and in smaller cities like Boise, Idaho, home to a vegan food truck, soul food restaurant and dining tour.

In Tel Aviv, Eager Tourist began offering vegan culinary tours in 2019 that visit food markets, farmers and restaurants.

“To be honest, it’s more interesting than a non-vegan tour,” said Ross Belfer, a partner in the company, who is an American living in Israel. “What Israelis can do with a vegetable is rather unparalleled, in my humble opinion.”



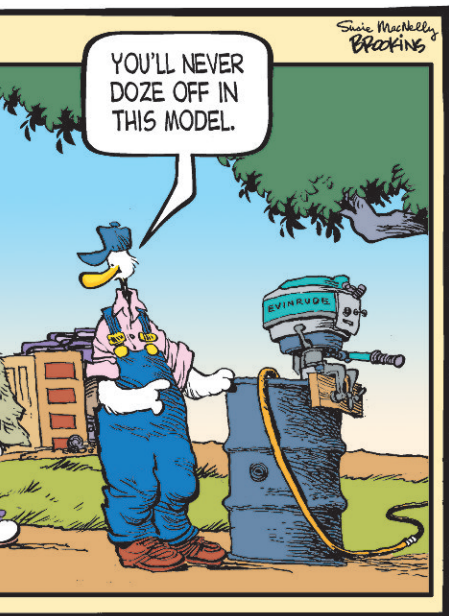
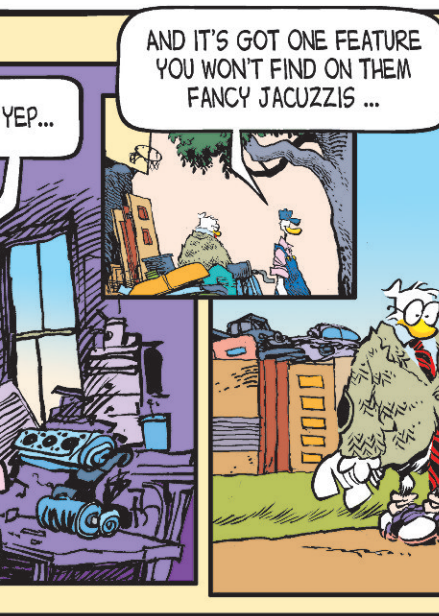
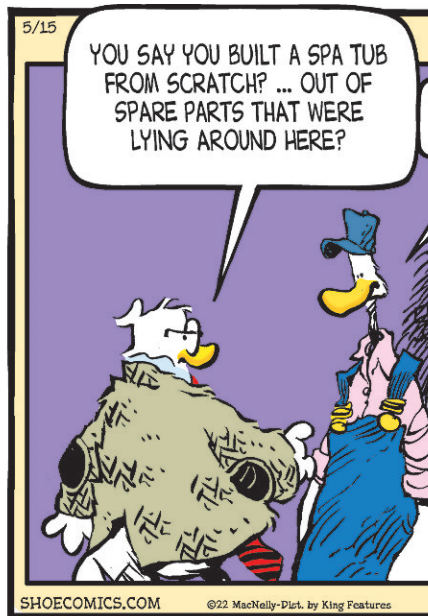
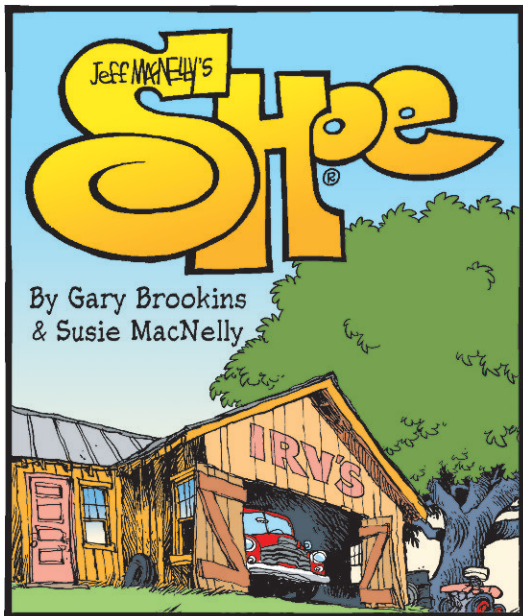
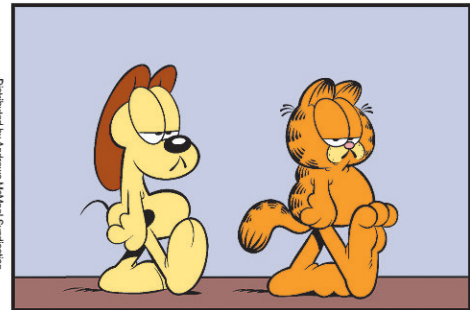
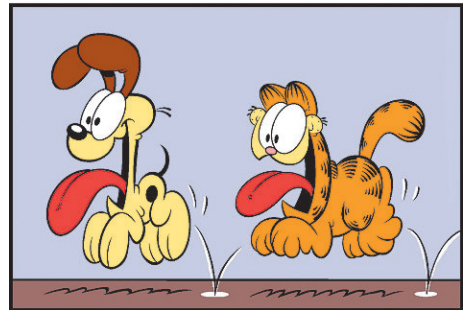
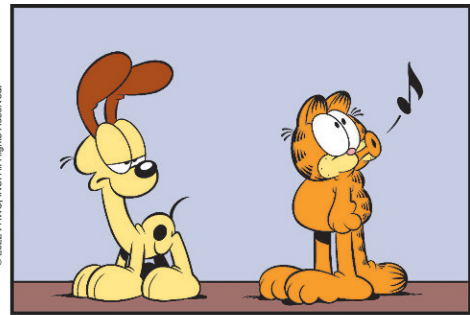
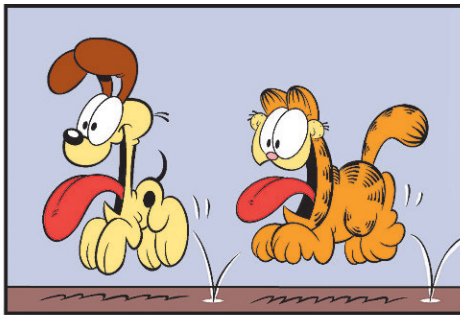
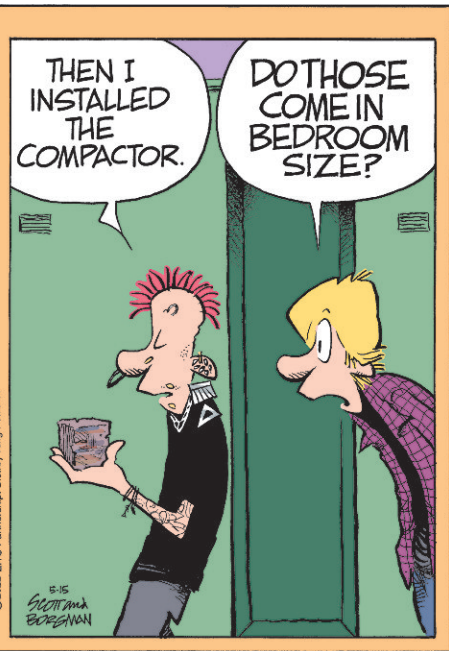
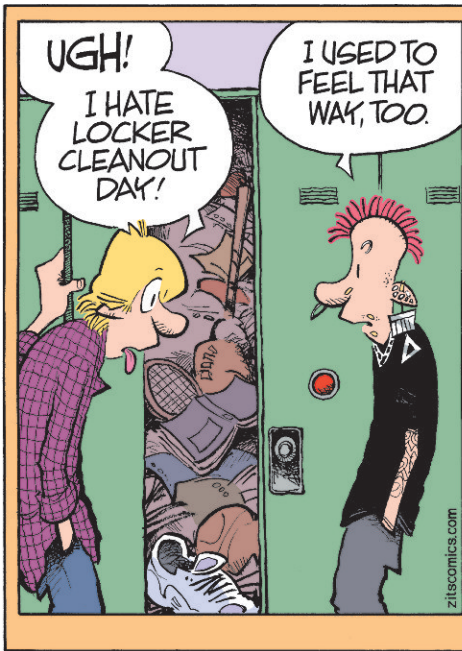
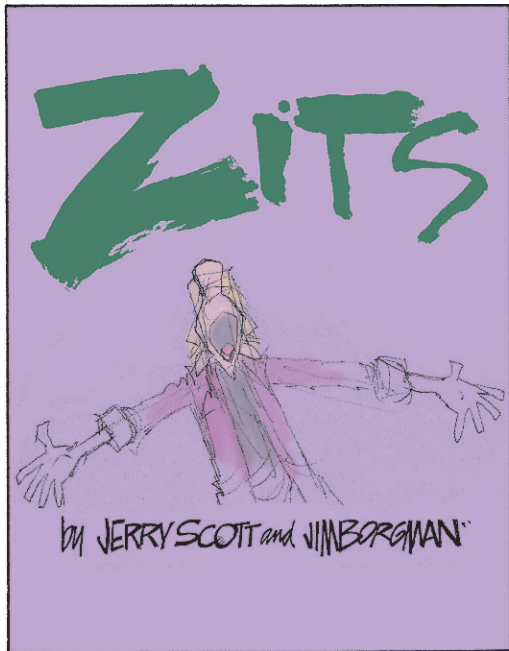
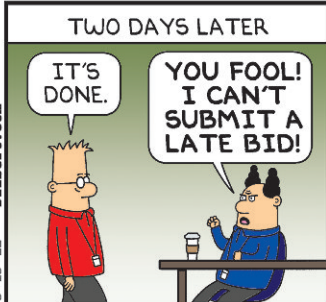
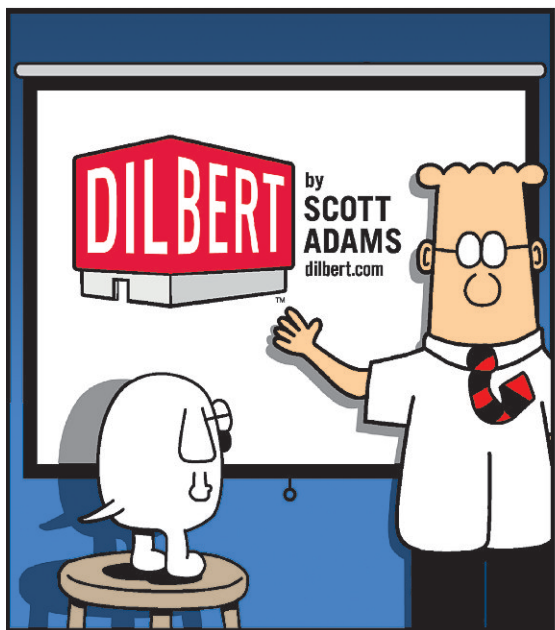
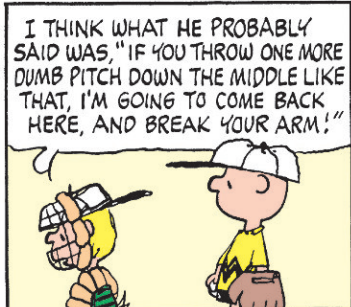
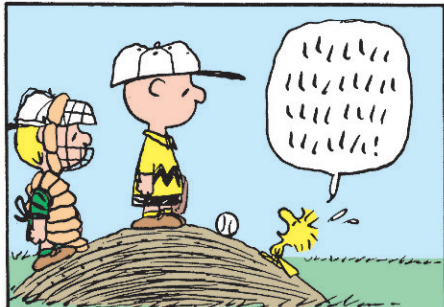
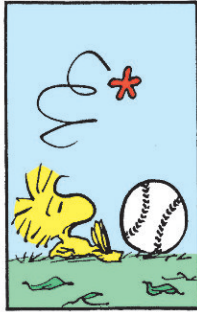
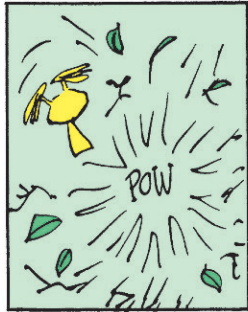
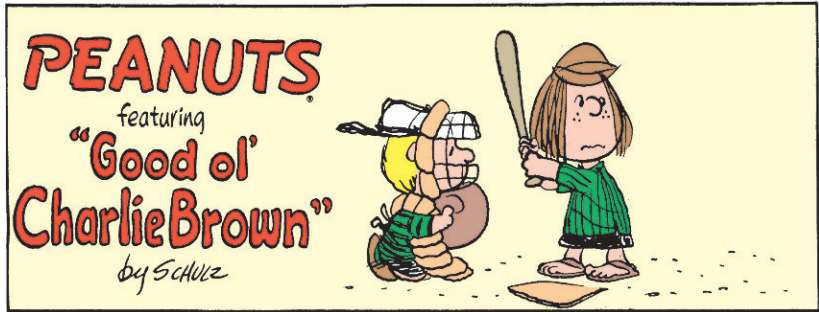
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THAT'S ME TO A TEE!

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ISN'T THE HOROSCOPE AMAZING, MARCY?

I DON'T BUY INTO THAT STUFF, CHARLENE.

BUT IT'S SO ACCURATE!

I CAN BUILD A CAR ENGINE WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS!

WHAT DOES YOUR FORTUNE COOKIE SAY?

"YOU ARE PRACTICAL AND YOU CAN MAKE ANYTHING WITH YOUR HANDS."

OH, PERFECT! WAY TO GO, BIMBO! SHE JUST DUMPED WATER ALL OVER ME!!

WAAAAA

WAITER! THE CHECK, PLEASE.

TO THE SWEETEST MAN IN THE WHOLE WORLD!

TO THE LADY I'VE LOVED FOR 18.....

QUIT BUGGING ME! HE'S KICKING ME UNDER THE TABLE!

STOP IT, MATTHEW. THAT IS ENTIRELY UNNECESSARY.

TAKE YOUR DOLLY OFF THE TABLE, JENNIFER, AND DON'T PLAY WITH YOUR GLASS.

SO! HOW WAS YOUR ROMANTIC EVENING - WITHOUT THE KIDS?!!

Hi and Lois

by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

HEY, DAD?!

IN HERE, DITTO.

DID YOU EVER HAVE A BEARD, DAD?

I DID SPORT SOME FACIAL HAIR WHEN I WAS YOUNGER.

DON'T EVER DO THAT AGAIN!!

DOONESBURY

by G.B. Trudeau

FLORIDA ELECTION POLICE, SERGEANT FRICK SPEAKING!

HONEY? COULD YOU PICK UP THE DRY CLEANING TODAY?

UM... FOUR.

OUT OF ELEVEN MILLION VOTES? OH, CLIFF...

I KNOW, I KNOW. BUT GOVERNOR DESANTIS WON'T STAND FOR ANY VOTER FRAUD!

UH-HUH...

SO YOU WANT TO GO TO A MOVIE?

HONEY, I HAVE A JOB. DON'T FORGET THE DRY CLEANING.

FRAZZ

BY JEF MALLETT

YOU LOOK WISTFUL.

I'M MISSING A FRIEND.

WHERE DID HE GO?

TO A MAGICAL PLACE, HE SAID,

WHERE BEER IS CONSIDERED FOOD

WHERE ARGUING IS CONSIDERED CONVERSATION

HE MOVED TO THE BASEBALL STADIUM IN BOSTON?

AND WHERE BICYCLES ARE CONSIDERED TRANSPORTATION.

THAT NARROWS IT DOWN CONSIDERABLY.

SO, IRELAND.

MUTTS

BY PATRICK MCDONNELL

Goodnight room

Goodnight moon

Goodnight city

Hello kitty!

REX MORGAN

BY TERRY BEATTY

TWO OF GLENWOOD'S FINEST ARE UNDERCOVER AND LOOKING FOR THE STREET SWEEPER.

THESE CURIOSITY SEEKERS WANT TO SEE THAT WOULD-BE COMIC BOOK HERO IN ACTION. I WANT HIM OFF THE STREETS.

SO FAR, I DON'T SEE ANY MASKED MAN CARRYING A BROOM.

HE'S GOING TO BE LURKING IN THE ALLEYS, NOT JUST WALKING DOWN THE STREET.

HE'S NOT GONNA BE JUST WALKIN' AROUND -- HE'LL BE HIDING IN AN ALLEY OR SOMETHING.

TWO OF GLENWOOD'S WORST ARE SEARCHING, TOO.

MAYBE UP ON A ROOFTOP, WATCHING OUT FOR TROUBLE?

HE'S NOT GONNA BE ON A ROOFTOP -- HE'S NOT A REAL SUPERHERO -- JUST A JERK WHO THINKS HE'S ONE.

HOW ARE WE GONNA FIND HIM, SNAKE?

WE WON'T. HE'LL FIND US.

MOTHER GOOSE GRIMM

DID YOU LIKE MY SERMON TODAY, MZ. GOOSE?

OH YES, REVEREND, EXCEPT...

"TWO OF THE 7 DEADLY SINS 400 NAMED WERE DWARFS"

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

WITH ALL THE TIME PEOPLE NOW SPEND CREATING CONSPIRACY THEORIES ONLINE, WE THOUGHT WE'D HELP YOU CREATE YOUR OWN. JUST CUT OUT AN OPTION IN PANEL 'A' AND PAIR IT WITH OPTIONS IN PANELS 'B', 'C', AND 'D' AND YOU'RE READY TO GO!

PANEL 'B'

ARE COLLECTING DATA ON
NOW CONTROL
WANT NOTHING MORE THAN TO DESTROY
ARE ORCHESTRATING A COUP TO TRY AND TOPPLE

PANEL 'D'

AND THAT'S JUST THE BEGINNING!
AND IT STARTS AT NOON TOMORROW!
AND THEN WE'RE ALL GONNA DIE!
AND WE'LL ALL BE FORCED TO READ MORE 'PEARLS BEFORE SWINE' COMICS.

PANEL 'A'

MEMBERS OF A SHADOW U.S. GOVERNMENT
TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES
RUSSIAN OLIGARCHS
SPACE ALIENS LIVING IN ROSWELL

PANEL 'C'

OUR WAY OF LIFE
TOMATO SOUP CANS
ALL THE WORLD'S SQUIRRELS
YOUR MAMA

NOW I'M MORE SCARED THAN EVER.

AND IF YOU POST IT ONLINE, IT'S AUTOMATICALLY TRUE.

THAT COMICS OPTION REALLY IS FRIGHTENING.

ROSE IS ROSE

By Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

There was an incident on Larson's Stone Bridge!

When I heard that piercing scream... I knew that a scoop of summer berry was floating out to sea.

This one's on me.

You're an ice cream angel.

Non Sequitur

by Wiley

Let's see... I was wearing this hair tie when I did pretty well on that one math test... but I was wearing this hair tie when I aced my history presentation...

But I was wearing this hair tie when I got super lucky on that biology test... but I think I had on this hair tie when I scored a miraculous 15/15 on my vocabulary quiz...

Does my hair look weird like this?

I thought you were prepping for finals.

FoxTrot

by Bill Amend

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BALDO

BY CANTU AND CASTELLANOS

I bet Baldo's ready for his first steps!

We'll use fresh empanadas to encourage him!

He's not walking...

He's running!

Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

Sir Galahad of the Round Table and his attending men-at-arms, have ventured east of Camelot, responding to reports of a great increase in Saxon raiding parties...

...to be presented with a bedraggled, dust-caked Valiant. "I would greet you more warmly, but we court layouts would not sully our finery!" Galahad laughs...

...before recognizing the lady who rides with Val's exhausted troop. "By Arthur's beard! You have captured Morgan le Fay, returned from whatever foreign hell she has clung to these many years! What a fine gift!"

But as Galahad moves closer, the men surround her protectively. It is clear where their loyalties now lie.

Next: A new order

Although it has been a long time since he has heard this taunting voice, Galahad instantly recognizes its owner, and gallops forward...

The Family Circus

By Bil Keane

The Sitter

as seen by Billy (age 7) while Mommy & Daddy are away

Billy's age, not the Sitter's

When the mail comes she makes sure all the envelopes have something in them.

And Mommy told Daddy maybe she should bleach her hair since he was always looking at blondes...

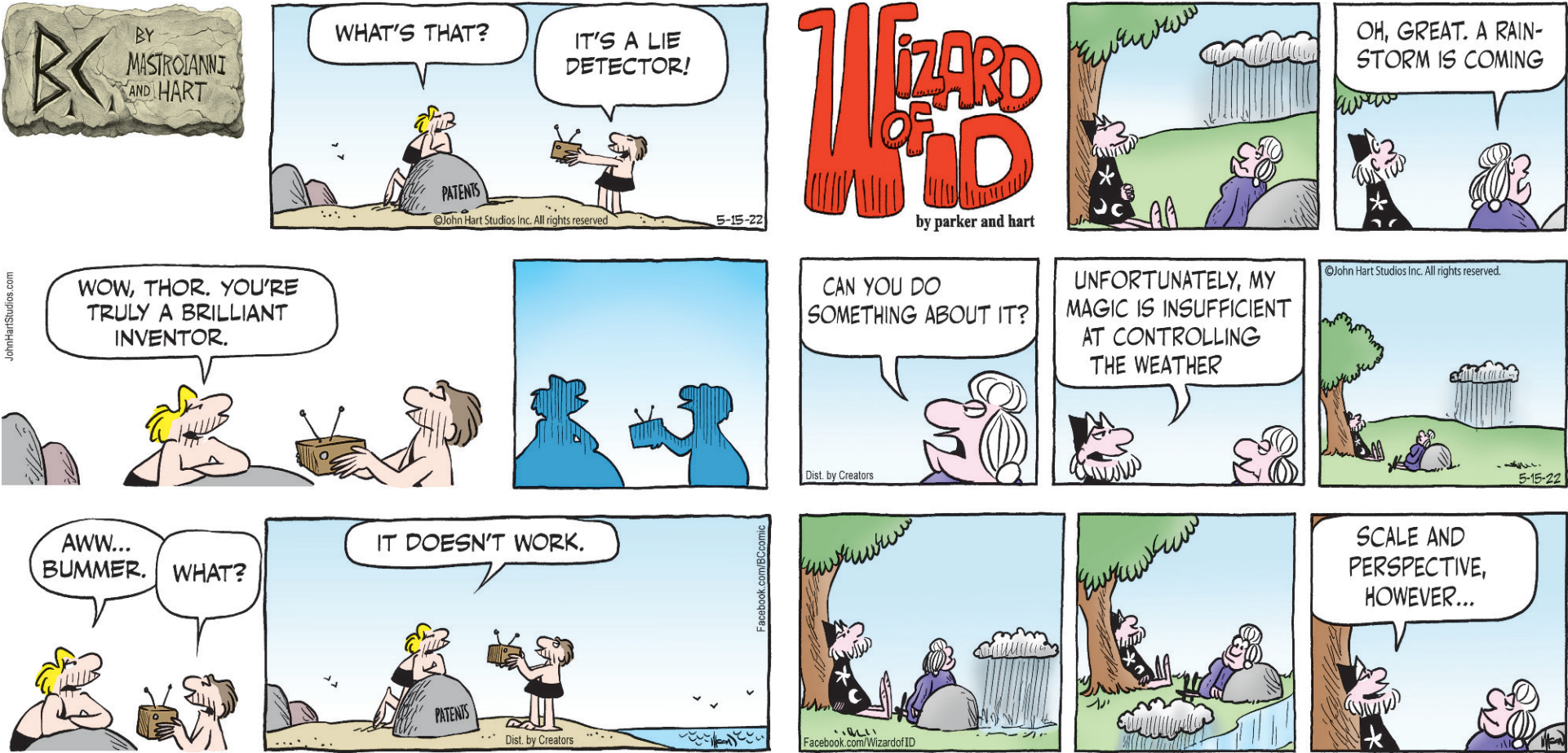
and what else, Dolly? Here--have another cookie...

Stop that noise! I'm trying to talk to my sister in Hawaii!

Every day she tests our phone to be sure it's working okay.

She's a very good conversationalist. She likes to talk.

BY MASTROIANZI AND HART



WHAT'S THAT?

IT'S A LIE DETECTOR!

WOW, THOR. YOU'RE TRULY A BRILLIANT INVENTOR.

AWW... BUMMER. WHAT?

IT DOESN'T WORK.

CAN YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?

UNFORTUNATELY, MY MAGIC IS INSUFFICIENT AT CONTROLLING THE WEATHER

OH, GREAT. A RAIN-STORM IS COMING

SCALE AND PERSPECTIVE, HOWEVER...

I HAVE A MILD CASE OF TECHNOPHOBIA.

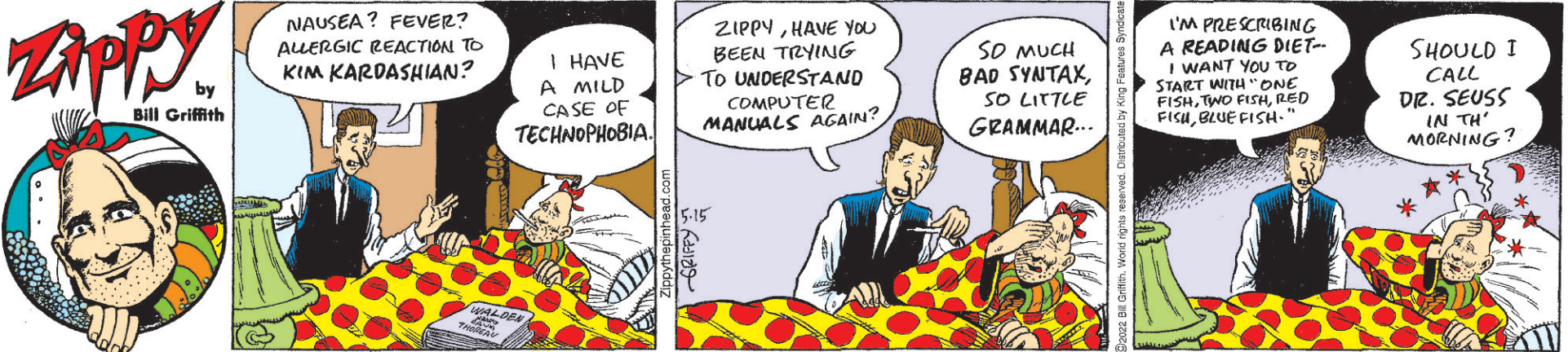
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SHOULD I CALL DR. SEUSS IN TH' MORNING?

ZIPPY by Bill Griffith



NAUSEA? FEVER? ALLERGIC REACTION TO KIM KARDASHIAN?

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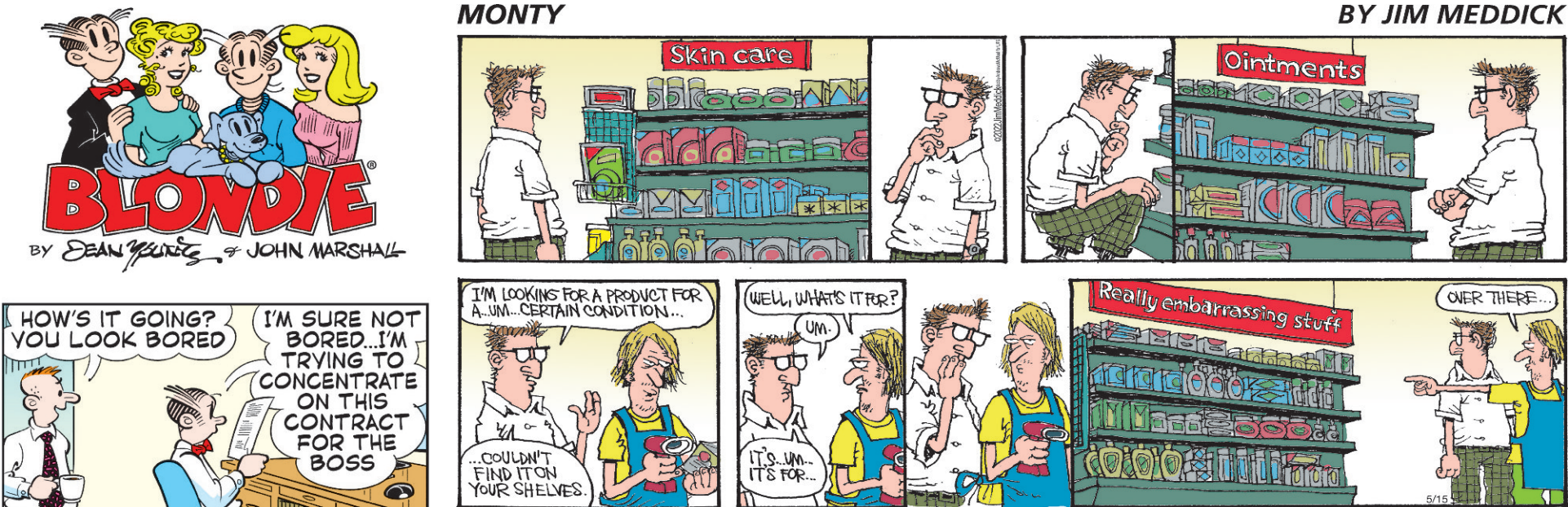
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BLONDIE BY DEAN YOUNG & JOHN MARSHALL



HOW'S IT GOING? YOU LOOK BORED

I'M SURE NOT BORED...I'M TRYING TO CONCENTRATE ON THIS CONTRACT FOR THE BOSS

OH, PLEASE! I KNOW BOREDOM WHEN I SEE IT

I GUESS I JUST LOOK BORED WHEN I CONCENTRATE

ARE YOU NEW HERE AT J.C. DITHERS AND CO.?

ME? NO, I WORK DOWN THE HALL

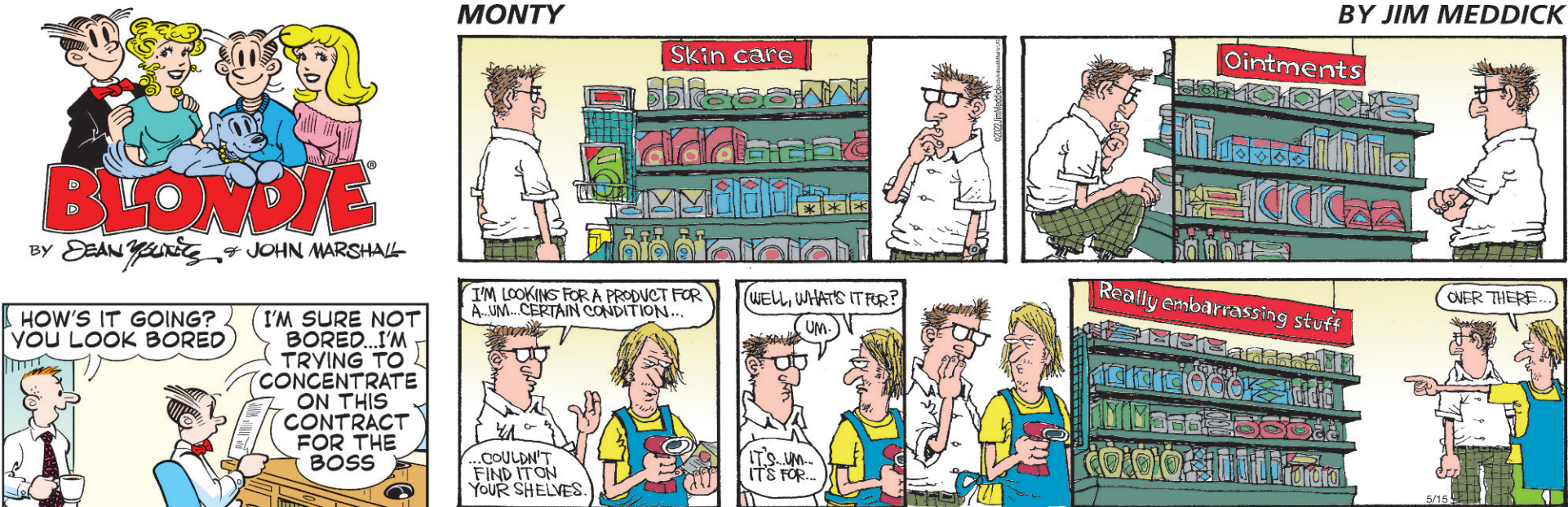
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TAKE IT EASY

HOW'S IT GOING, DAG?

SUDDENLY, I'M REALLY BORED

MONTY BY JIM MEDDICK



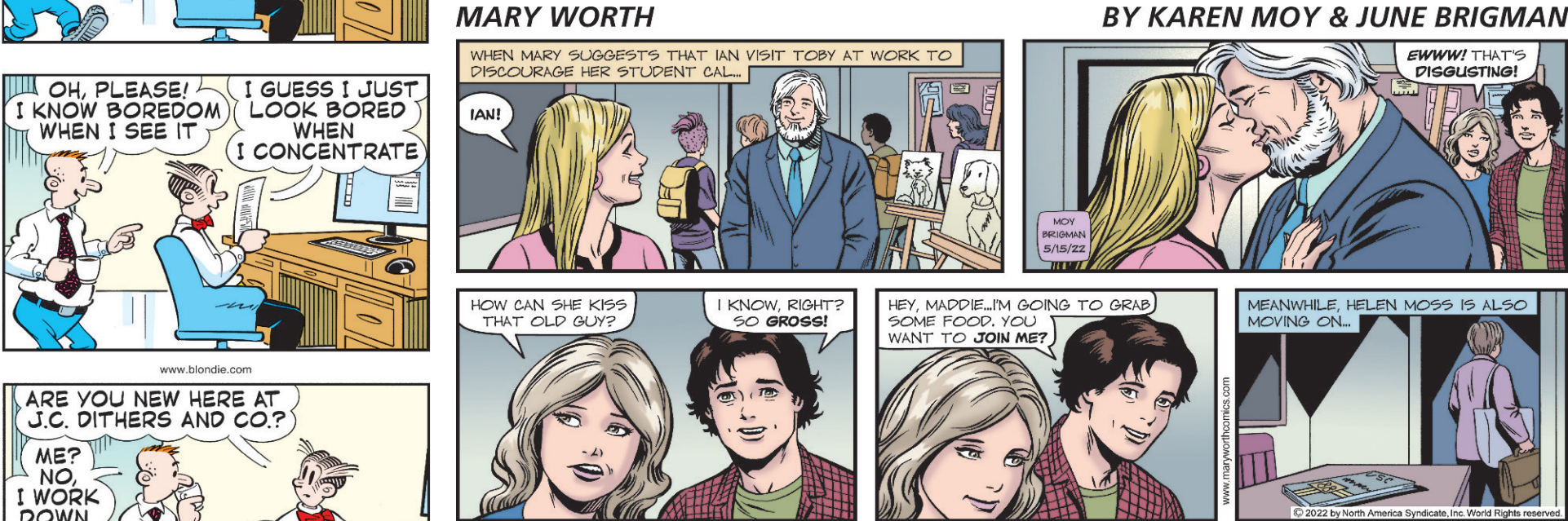
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Really embarrassing stuff

OVER THERE...

MARY WORTH BY KAREN MOY & JUNE BRIGMAN



HOW CAN SHE KISS THAT OLD GUY?

I KNOW, RIGHT? SO GROSS!

HEY, MADDIE...I'M GOING TO GRAB SOME FOOD, YOU WANT TO JOIN ME?

MEANWHILE, HELEN MOSS IS ALSO MOVING ON...

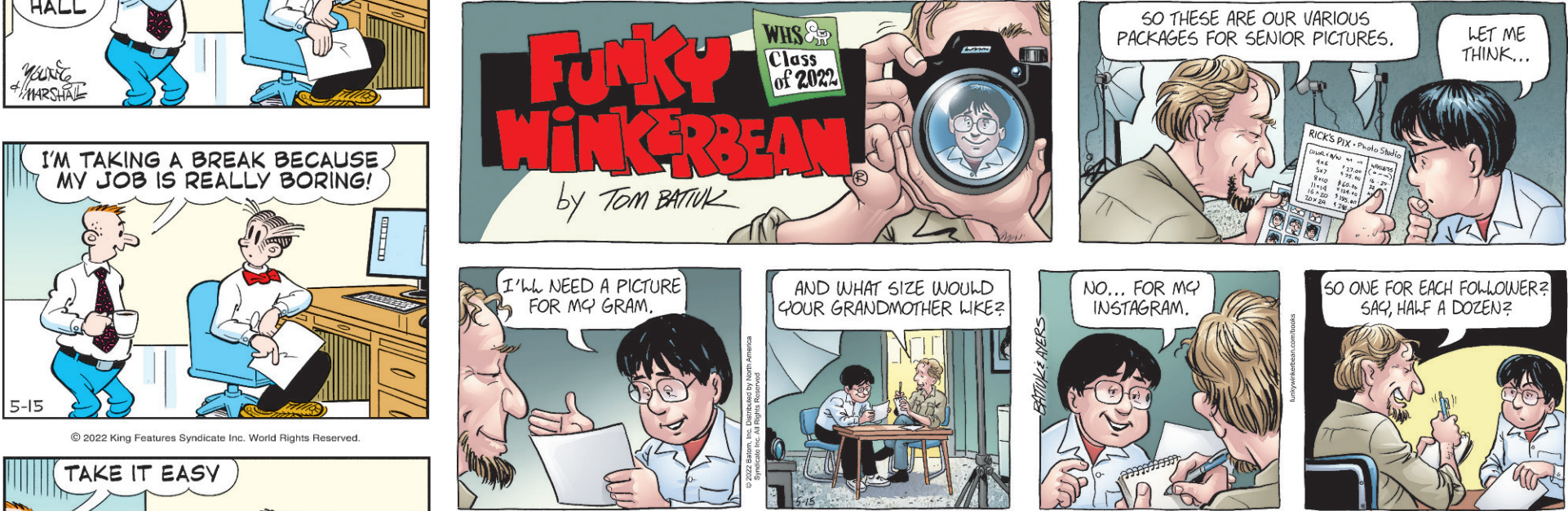
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FUNKY WINKERBEAN by TOM BATTUK



WHS Class of 2022

I'll NEED A PICTURE FOR MY GRAM.

AND WHAT SIZE WOULD YOUR GRANDMOTHER LIKE?

NO... FOR MY INSTAGRAM.

SO ONE FOR EACH FOLLOWER? SAY, HALF A DOZEN?

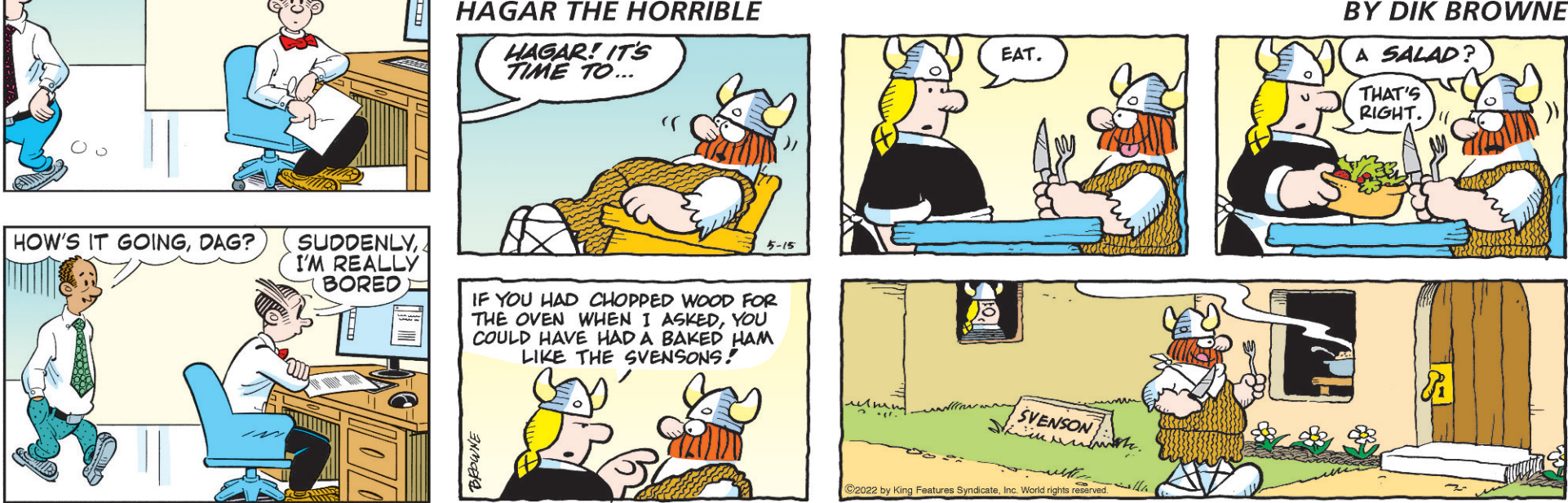
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE BY DIK BROWNE



HAGAR! IT'S TIME TO...

EAT.

A SALAD? THAT'S RIGHT.

IF YOU HAD CHOPPED WOOD FOR THE OVEN WHEN I ASKED, YOU COULD HAVE HAD A BAKED HAM LIKE THE SVENSONS.

TAKE IT EASY

HOW'S IT GOING, DAG?

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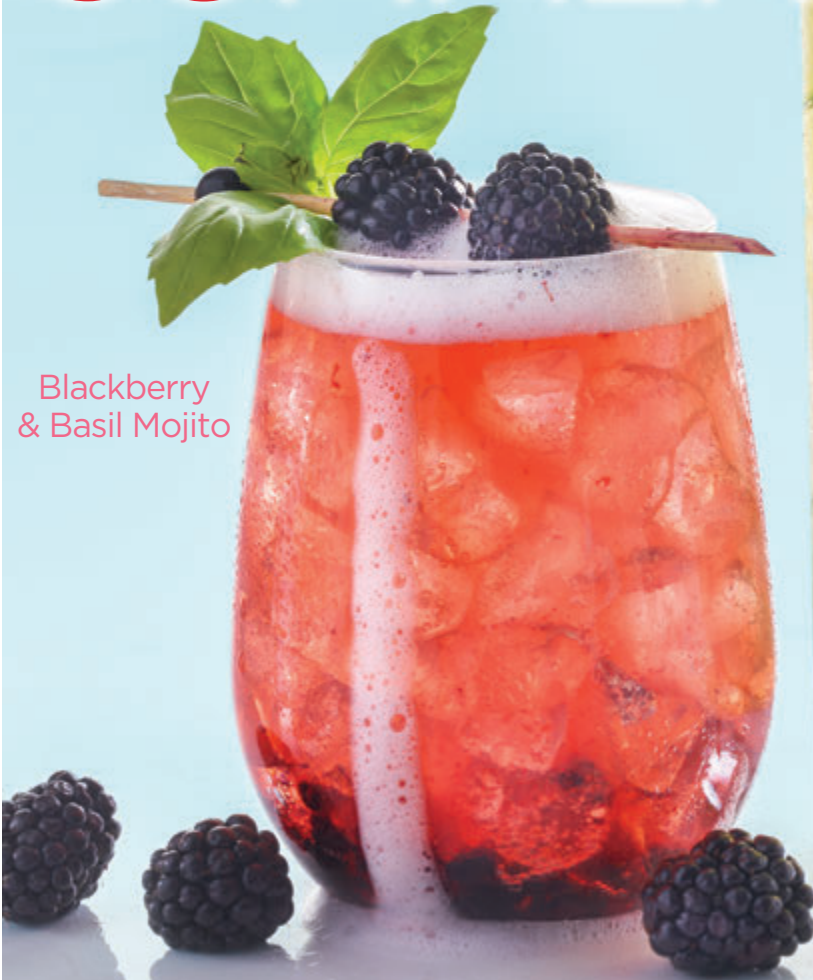
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SISSY SPACEK

The *Carrie* star and *Coal Miner's Daughter* Oscar winner, 72, stars with J.K.

Simmons, 67, in the sci-fi series *Night Sky* (May 20 on Prime Video). The two play Irene and Franklin York, who discover a hidden backyard chamber leading them into an adventure that spans space and time.

What can you tell us about the Yorks?

They experienced an enormous tragedy 20 years earlier. At the same time, they discovered the

chamber. Irene had been looking for meaning in her life. She's driven by this need to understand why. She's a woman who's looking at the stars, at the universe, and contemplating how one thing might have impacted the other. She's waiting for a sign.

In addition to being a sci-fi story, would you say *Night Sky* is a love story?

The Yorks are so in love with one another. There were a lot of things that drew me to *Night Sky*, and that was a major thing—that it was about these two older people in the twilight of their lives and how an ordinary couple can be living in such extraordinary circumstances, but they still take their vitamins, eat their meals and go for rides. They have a simple life, and they want to keep it that way. I just adore Irene and Franklin.

Do you remember your first impression of *Carrie*?

I remember sending that script to my parents, and they didn't know what to think. Sometimes there's a little element of fear that's involved with doing things, and that's good; it rattles my cage a little bit. But the fact that I was playing a real human being, I never thought of her as a monster. I thought of her as a misunderstood, abused young person.

What is there left for you to accomplish? I want to continue to work on things that are meaningful to me, and I want to spend time with my family. I've always wanted to take time out for real life because I had such a precious childhood and family—certainly not without challenges, as every person has. But it made me understand how important living a real life is.

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ROSIE'S ON THE CASE

After a great role in seasons one and two of

The Flight Attendant, **Rosie Perez**, 57, stars in *Now and Then* (May 20 on Apple TV+), a multilayered thriller that follows a group of college friends through two periods of their lives. The Brooklyn native, who began her career as a dancer on *Soul Train*, got her breakthrough role in Spike Lee's *Do the Right Thing* and was nominated in 1994 for an Oscar for her role in *Fearless*. In *Now and Then*, she plays a detective determined to uncover the truth about a tragic event that happened 20 years ago. The bilingual series was filmed in both Spanish and English.



A DOWNTON ABBEY MYSTERY

The mysterious past of the Dowager Countess of Grantham (**Maggie Smith**, 87) is revealed in *Downton Abbey: A New Era* (May 20 in theaters) when she comes into possession of a villa in the South of France, sending the family on a grand journey to learn about the inheritance. "It isn't reinventing the wheel, but the film is a celebration of all the things that audiences have loved about *Downton* for over 11 years now, as well as a celebration of all the characters," says Hugh Bonneville, 58, who plays the countess's son, Robert Crawley, the Earl of Grantham. "It's a real visual feast."

CELEBRATING GEORGE CARLIN

You can relive the greatest jokes and learn more about the life and controversial career of groundbreaking stand-up comedian Carlin—who died in 2008 at age 71—in the two-night documentary *George Carlin's American Dream* (May 20–21 on HBO and HBO Max). Here are a few facts about the New York City native, who in 1975 was the first-ever host of *Saturday Night Live*.



◀ His dream career as a kid was to become a movie star like his idol **Danny Kaye**.

- His memorable stand-up routines, which influenced many up-and-coming comedians, included "Baseball and Football," "The Ten Commandments" and "Seven Words You Can Never Say on Television."
- Carlin was awarded the 2008 Mark Twain Prize for American Humor by the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, becoming the first posthumous recipient.



▲ A favorite of host **Johnny Carson**, he appeared on *The Tonight Show* more than 130 times.

▼ He played Mr. Conductor on the PBS children's series *Shining Time Station*, provided the narration for *Thomas the Tank Engine* and appeared in movies including *Car Wash*, *Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure* and *The Prince of Tides*.



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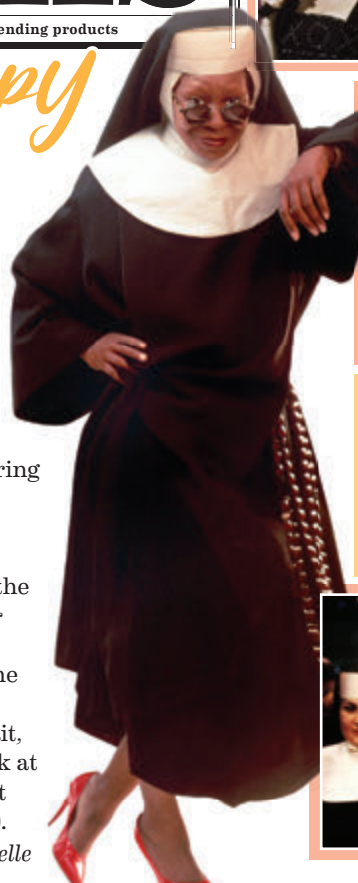
Oh Happy DAY!

It has been 30 years since **Whoopi Goldberg** starred in *Sister Act* as Deloris—aka Sister Mary Clarence—the sassy nightclub singer turned nun who transforms a habit-wearing choir of clergywomen while hiding in protective custody. Rumor has it, there's a third



Sister Act in the works. (*Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit* came out in 1993.) While we wait, let's look back at the smash hit (also starring **Maggie Smith**).

—Megan O'Neill Melle



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HOLLYWOOD HABITS

Here are some more nuns on the big and small screens.

NUNS ON THE RUN (1990) To hide from their mob boss, two criminals (**Eric Idle** and **Robbie Coltrane**) infiltrate a convent and fool the sisters into believing they're women (and nuns) themselves.



THE SOUND OF MUSIC (1965) Julie Andrews is the feisty and free-spirited nun turned governess who charms an Austrian widower (Christopher Plummer) and his seven children.

THE FLYING NUN (1967–70) **Sally Field** is Sister Bertrille, a new

arrival at a Puerto Rican convent who can, yes, catch the wind and fly in this ABC sitcom.

AMERICAN HORROR STORY: ASYLUM (2012–13) Season two of FX's horror anthology series is set in a 1960s mental institution run by the stern Sister Jude (Jessica Lange) and the young Sister Mary Eunice (Lily Rabe), who becomes possessed by the devil.

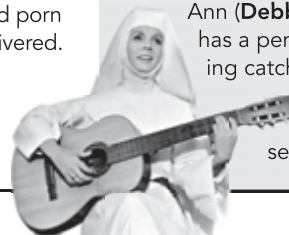
CALL THE MIDWIFE (2012–) This long-running BBC series set in 1950s London follows the (bike-riding!) nurses, midwives and nuns providing the poorest expecting women with care.

THE SONG OF BERNADETTE (1943)

Jennifer Jones stars in this Oscar-winning film as a poverty-stricken young French girl who has visions of the Virgin Mary.



THE SINGING NUN (1966) Sister Ann (**Debbie Reynolds**) has a penchant for writing catchy tunes and accidentally becomes a pop sensation.



1 DIVINE INTERVENTION **Bette Midler** was originally cast in the film's lead role. When she backed out, it went through numerous rewrites—by screenwriters including Carrie Fisher (*Postcards From the Edge*) and Nancy Meyers (*Private Benjamin*, *Something's Gotta Give*)—before Goldberg took the part.

2 CHURCH AND STATE While Goldberg's character used the church to hide from her mob boyfriend's band of goons, it's actually against government policy to protect witnesses by having them pose as members of the clergy.

3 THE GOSPEL OF SHOWBIZ The soundtrack, which includes the hilarious "My God" (a rewrite of Mary Wells' Motown hit "My Guy"), spent more than a year on the *Billboard* Top 200 albums chart.

4 SISTER STARLET Goldberg's character was inspired by real-life actress **Dolores Hart** (who gave **Elvis Presley** his first onscreen kiss in 1957's *Loving You*). She left Hollywood for the convent at age 24 and remains a voting member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

5 FUN WITH NUNS Filming in Reno, Nev., co-stars **Kathy Najimy** (*Veep*) and **Wendy Makkena** (*A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*) would gamble in their habits between takes and play pranks on hotel staff, like when they ordered room service in costume and had porn playing on the television when it was delivered.

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Contact your doctor right away if you think you might be experiencing any side effects, including eye pain or redness, light sensitivity, or blurring of vision, after an injection.

For additional safety information, please talk to your doctor and see the full Prescribing Information for EYLEA.

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Please see the Consumer Brief Summary on the adjacent page.

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This summary contains risk and safety information for patients about EYLEA. It does not include all the information about EYLEA and does not take the place of talking to your eye doctor about your medical condition or treatment.

What is EYLEA?

EYLEA is a prescription medicine that works by blocking vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF). VEGF can cause fluid to leak into the macula (the light-sensitive tissue at the back of the eye responsible for sharp central vision). Blocking VEGF helps reduce fluid from leaking into the macula.

What is EYLEA used for?

EYLEA is indicated for the treatment of patients with:

- Neovascular (Wet) Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)
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How is EYLEA given?

EYLEA is an injection administered by your eye doctor into the eye. Depending on your condition, EYLEA injections are given on different schedules. Consult with your eye doctor to confirm which EYLEA schedule is appropriate for you.

Who should not use EYLEA?

Do not use EYLEA if you have an infection in or around the eye, eye pain or redness, inflammation in the eye, or are allergic to aflibercept and/or any other ingredients in EYLEA.

What is the most important information I should know about EYLEA?

- EYLEA must only be administered by a qualified eye doctor. Injection into the eye with EYLEA can result in an infection in the eye and retinal detachment (separation of retina from back of the eye) can occur. Inflammation in the eye has been reported with the use of EYLEA. If your eye becomes red, sensitive to light, painful, or develops a change in vision, seek immediate care from an eye doctor
- In some patients, injections with EYLEA may cause a temporary increase in eye pressure within 1 hour of the injection. Sustained increases in eye pressure have been reported with repeated injections, and your eye doctor may monitor this after each injection
- There is a potential but rare risk of serious and sometimes fatal side effects related to blood clots, leading to heart attack or stroke in patients receiving EYLEA
- Serious side effects related to the injection procedure with EYLEA are rare but can occur including infection inside the eye and retinal detachment
- You may experience temporary visual changes after an EYLEA injection and associated eye exams; do not drive or use machinery until your vision recovers sufficiently
- Because EYLEA is composed of large molecules, your body may react to it; therefore, there is a potential for an immune response (allergy-like) in patients treated with EYLEA

What are possible side effects of EYLEA?

EYLEA can cause serious side effects, including

- See important safety information listed under “What is the most important information I should know about EYLEA?”

The most common side effects include

- Increased redness in the eye
- Eye pain
- Cataract
- Vitreous (gel-like substance) detachment
- Vitreous floaters
- Moving spots in the field of vision
- Increased pressure in the eye

There are other possible side effects of EYLEA. For more information, ask your eye doctor.

It is important that you contact your doctor right away if you think you might be experiencing any side effects, including eye pain or redness, light sensitivity, or blurring of vision, after an injection.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

What should I tell my eye doctor before receiving EYLEA?

- Tell your eye doctor if you have any medical conditions
- Tell your eye doctor if you are pregnant or are planning to become pregnant. It is not known if EYLEA may harm your unborn baby
- Tell your eye doctor if you are breastfeeding. It is not known if EYLEA may harm your baby. You and your eye doctor should decide whether you should be treated with EYLEA or breastfeed, but you should not do both

How is EYLEA supplied?

EYLEA is supplied in a clear, colorless to pale yellow solution. It is provided in a pre-filled glass syringe or glass vial containing the amount of product required for a single injection into the eye, which is 0.05 mL (or 2 mg of the medicine product).

Where can I learn more about EYLEA?

For a more comprehensive review of EYLEA safety and risk information, talk to your health care provider and see the full Prescribing Information at EYLEA.com.

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Stay Healthy



Don't miss the warning signs for these serious ailments.

By Michelle Ponte

Some health conditions pop up overnight or have vague symptoms that are tricky to diagnose. This is particularly true of shingles, age-related macular degeneration (AMD), dementia and kidney disease, says Donald Ford, M.D., department chair of family medicine at Cleveland Clinic. "The risk factors are not always clear, so our ability to predict them is limited, and often we have to wait until the signs show up." Here's what you need to know to understand those signs.

SHINGLES

Each year, 1 million people get shingles, a viral infection that can come on suddenly due to a reawakening of chickenpox. Shingles typically occurs when you're older, causing chills, fever and a painful blistering rash on one area of your body. The virus is thought to be triggered by stress, trauma or diseases that suppress the immune system.

Why It's Sneaky "Shingles takes most people by surprise," with only general symptoms, such as the onset of unexplained localized pain, says Ford. There is also a common misconception that only adults who had chickenpox



will get shingles. "The fact is anyone over age 28 [before the chickenpox vaccine was used] was exposed to the virus, even if they never got sick," he says. Early treatment with antiviral medications is important in preventing postherpetic neuralgia, a burning pain that can occur after an outbreak. A two-part shingles vaccine is recommended for those 50 and older.



AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION

The most common cause of vision loss in people over age 55 is AMD, a condition where part of the retina becomes damaged.

Dry AMD is the most common form and occurs when tiny protein clumps called drusen build up and cause central vision loss. Wet AMD, which is more serious, involves abnormal blood vessels growing under the retina and causing bleeding and damage. Risk factors include your age, family history and being overweight.

Why It's Sneaky You can have dry AMD for decades with few symptoms, says Alex Yuan, M.D., an ophthalmologist with Cleveland Clinic. Symptoms are non-specific—you might have a blurry spot in one eye or see crooked lines. "The tricky part is we all have two eyes, and it is very difficult to notice the loss of [vision] in one eye, especially if it's your nondominant eye," Yuan says. A comprehensive dilated eye exam and diagnostic testing are the best ways to diagnose AMD. Eye injections, laser therapy and specific vitamins, known as AREDS 2, help slow AMD progression.



DEMENTIA

Some 5 percent to 8 percent of people over age 65 have dementia, a general term for memory loss related to many health conditions. Alzheimer's disease, a neurological disorder, is the most common form of dementia. While some memory loss is expected as we age—you may have a harder time remembering names—dementia is marked by more significant events, such as getting lost in a familiar place or not recognizing a loved one.

Why It's Sneaky Early dementia can be tricky to diagnose because of fear and denial. "There's a natural human habit to cover up for it," says Ford. Dementia also can be mistaken for normal memory loss. Your primary care doctor can do simple cognitive exercises, which "can

reveal problems that might not otherwise be easily visible," he says. Cognitive screening is available for adults 65 and older as part of Medicare's annual wellness evaluation. While dementia treatments are limited, early diagnosis is important for establishing a solid support system.



CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

The kidneys are your body's taskmaster—they do everything from removing toxins and excess fluid to regulating bone health. Some 37 million people in the U.S. have chronic kidney disease, which puts them at risk for kidney failure. "When your kidney functions less than 60 percent, that qualifies as chronic kidney disease," says Cassandra Kovach, M.D., a nephrologist at Cleveland Clinic. Diabetes and high blood pressure are the top causes of kidney disease.

Why It's Sneaky "Most people don't have any symptoms of kidney disease until it has advanced," says Kovach. Common symptoms may include low energy, poor appetite and nausea or vomiting. "The symptoms are very nonspecific and can be caused by a bunch of different things, which also makes it tricky," she says. If you're at risk, you'll want to get an annual kidney screening (simple blood and urine tests). Most treatments aim to prevent the progression of kidney disease by treating high blood pressure, anemia and other complications. Catching the disease early will give you the best chance of stopping further kidney damage.

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Cheers to SUMMER!

Refreshing cocktails to get the season rolling, from a *Downton Abbey*-themed sipper to a pool-party-ready slushy.

By Alison Ashton • Cover and feature photography by Mark Boughton • Styling by Teresa Blackburn



Blackberry and Basil Mojito



Traditional mojitos feature rum and mint. This twist, from **Summer Fizz**, opts for vodka and basil instead.

Gently muddle 4 **basil leaves** and 4 **blackberries** in the bottom of a stemless wine glass. Fill halfway with ice. Add 1½ oz **vodka**; stir. Top with **sparkling lemon soda** (such as Sanpellegrino Limonata); stir again. Garnish

with 2 blackberries and a basil sprig. **Serves 1.**

Melon-Basil Cup

Frozen melon balls stand in for ice in this refreshing, low-alcohol drink from **Mindful Mixology** by Derek Brown.



Orange oleo saccharum, a type of fruit syrup used to flavor cocktails, is easy to make. For DIY honey syrup, just stir 2 parts honey and 1 part boiling water in a heatproof bowl or jar; cool before using.

Combine 8 oz **dry white wine**, ½ oz **orange oleo saccharum** (recipe follows), 1 tsp **honey syrup** and a dash of **fresh lemon juice** in a Champagne flute; stir. Add assorted **frozen melon balls**. Garnish with a **basil sprig**. **Serves 1.**

Orange Oleo Saccharum

Wash 2 **oranges**. Cut peels into strips (avoiding bitter white pith; reserve oranges). Place peels and 1 cup **sugar** into an airtight container; pulverize with a muddler or back of a spoon. Seal; let stand overnight. Stir in a small amount of orange juice to dissolve remaining sugar crystals. Strain through a fine-mesh strainer, pressing peels to extract syrup. Discard peels. Store up to 2 weeks in a cool, dark spot. **Makes about 1 cup.**



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Sweet Life Slushy

This pool-party-ready drink is from **Booze & Vinyl, Volume 2** by André and



Tenaya Darlington.

The fruity concoction is inspired by Frank Ocean's "Sweet Life" on his Channel Orange album, which references mangoes, peaches and limes.

To make simple syrup, combine equal parts sugar and water in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil; cook until sugar dissolves. Cool. Refrigerate in an airtight container up to 2 weeks.

In a blender, blend 4 oz **light rum**, 1 cup **frozen mango slices**, 1 cup **frozen peach slices**, 2 oz **fresh lime juice** and 1 oz **simple syrup**. Pour into 2 chilled glasses. Garnish with **lime wheels**. Serves 2.



Porch-Perfect Negroni



The Negroni has been a hot cocktail for the past few years. This version, from the book *Summer Fizz*, gets a lighter, summery touch with strawberries and sparkling bitter lemon.

Muddle 3 **strawberries** in the bottom of a rocks glass. Add $\frac{3}{4}$ oz **gin**, $\frac{3}{4}$ oz **Campari**, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz **bianco vermouth** (white vermouth) and 5 oz **bitter lemon** (such as Fever-Tree or Schweppes); stir gently. Add ice. Garnish with a **mint sprig** and a strawberry.

Serves 1.

The English Garden

With *Downton Abbey: A New Era* coming out May 20, a libation from **Seasons at Highclere** (aka *Downton Abbey*) is timely. The book is by Fiona, Countess of Carnarvon, who oversees Highclere with her husband, the Earl of Carnarvon. "This is such a quintessentially British cocktail filled with summer flavors, best served in a long, tall glass and enjoyed in a deck chair on the lawn," she says.



In a cocktail shaker, combine 3 oz **apple juice**, 2 oz **gin**, 1 oz **St-Germain Elderflower liqueur** and $\frac{1}{2}$ oz **lime juice**. Strain into a tall glass lined with a **cucumber ribbon** and filled with ice. Garnish with **apple slices** and, if desired, a **maraschino cherry**. Serves 1.



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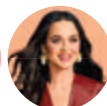
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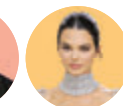
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What Is Orange Wine?

You probably know rosé, but what about orange wine, which originated thousands of years ago in the country of Georgia? David Choi, proprietor of Magna Carta Cellars and Angel Falls Wines in California, who also shares wine tips on TikTok and Instagram (as @winewithdavid), has the lowdown on this hot trend.

It's a "skin-contact" white wine. Mashed white wine grapes are allowed to ferment with the skins, which lends the final product its signature hue (the same way rosé is made with red-wine grapes). Sometimes orange wine is referred to as "amber" or *ramato* (Italian for "auburn").

If rosé is the lighter side of red wine, orange showcases the bolder side of white. Some orange wines can be light and refreshing, says Choi, but many are robust, often with notes of nuts, citrus and tropical fruit. Generally, the deeper the color, the bolder the flavor.

Orange wine is a tasty match with big-flavor foods. "It's a great barbecue wine," says Choi. Serve it with grilled meat (especially lamb), spice-rubbed salmon or barbecued chicken. It's also nice with a charcuterie board or spicy Asian fare.

It's now produced by winemakers all over the world. Choi likes California-made Donkey & Goat's 2020 Ramato Pinot Gris (**\$30, donkeyandgoat.com**).



Orange



Rosé

Answers: Reynolds, Casamigos Tequila; Johnson, Teremana Tequila; Clooney, 818 Tequila; Lively, Betty Buzz mixers; Perry, De Soi aperitifs; Jenner, Aviation American Gin.

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READY-MADE COCKTAILS to go



Premixed cocktails are perfect for summer fun on the go, says **André Darlington**, co-author of *Booze & Vinyl* (volumes 1 and 2) and other cocktail compendiums. "They're an especially great way to enjoy mixed drinks while camping, at outdoor festivals, hiking or during other outside recreation when making a drink from scratch isn't ideal."

Quality varies wildly, he warns. Ready-made cocktails from trusted liquor brands or designed by mixologists are good options. Check the label too. "Make sure everything there is something you'd put in your own homemade drink," says Darlington. Three to try:

- Master mixologist Charles Joly (whose drinks are served at entertainment industry soirees like the Oscars Governors Ball) created Crafthouse Cocktails. The lineup includes Smoky Margaritas and Rum Old Fashioneds (**from \$24 for a four-pack, crafthousecocktails.com**).

- Cazadores Tequila, which has distilled the iconic Mexican spirit for 100 years, now offers a trio of canned cocktails, including classic and spicy margaritas as well as Palomas (**\$16 for a four-pack, cazadores.com**).

- Cutwater Spirits has an extensive lineup of canned mixed drinks, from Tiki Rum Mai Tais to Bloody Marys (**from \$3, cutwaterspirits.com**).

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Live Smart

NEVER SAY

"I'M TOO OLD FOR THAT!"

How to shush your negative inner voice and think positively. *By Paula Spencer Scott*

We all have a voice in our heads. It reminds us what's on the grocery list, encourages good choices and psyches us up. But sometimes that inner voice does more harm than good. It might say, *I'm too old for that! I'm not good enough.* And when it comes to your inner voice, "bad is stronger than good," says University of Michigan psychologist Ethan Kross, author of *Chatter: The Voice in Our Head, Why It Matters, and How to Harness It*. "We're wired to notice the negative stuff more."

That can undermine reasoning and decision-making skills (older adults who believe stereotypes about aging are more likely to do worse on cognitive tests). And negative self-talk stimulates a stress response that at toxic levels can contribute to cardiovascular disease and cancer, Kross says. Conversely, people with positive age beliefs were less likely to develop Alzheimer's, even if their risks were high, one study showed. Read on to shush your negative inner voice.

Talk to yourself like you would a good friend. Use your own name and the word *you*. "The links in the mind are incredibly tight, so when you refer to yourself the way you refer to others, you're thrust into adviser mode. You shift perspective and it's easier to wade through difficulties," Kross says.

Think about how you'll feel tomorrow. Shifting to a future view highlights the impermanence of present woes. "I'll say to myself, *Ethan, how are you going to feel about it in the morning?*" Kross says.

Talk to someone who will broaden your perspective. Venting may feel good in the moment. But avoid passive listeners or like-minded friends. It's more productive to go

over things with a confidante who'll help you broaden your perspective and think through options.

Reframe your situation as a challenge—not a threat. For example, rather than focusing on losses, focus on how getting older brings wisdom and new opportunities.

Stop doomscrolling. We've been living through "the biggest chatter period of the last 100 years," Kross says. All of that negative chatter—political polarization, the pandemic, inflation and news of war—have brought two feelings that weaken our inner cheerleader, he says: uncertainty and lack of control. Is it any wonder that there have been spikes in road rage and general incivility? It's

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In 2005, we were introduced to the "World's Best Boss," Michael Scott (Steve Carell), and his Dunder Mifflin gang of employees. Just as the sitcom has endured (still a powerful force in streaming), so has one friendship: that of co-stars **Angela Kinsey** (accountant Angela) and **Jenna Fischer** (receptionist Pam). The two, who also host the *Office Ladies* podcast, are sharing behind-the-scenes memories and photos in their new book, ***The Office BFFs*** (May 17, Dey Street Books, \$28). "We were the gals who showed up to work with disposable cameras," Fischer says. "We were in sync from the beginning, and I hope the book makes it clear just how close the cast and crew were—and still are." More from the "best friends forever" here. —Megan O'Neill Melle



What was it like reminiscing through all those images?

Jenna Fischer: It was wild. We all looked like babies. Especially **Mindy Kaling** and **B.J. Novak**, who were so young when the show started.



Why is *The Office* so rewatchable?

JF: The show is so relatable. We all know a Dwight or an Angela or a Phyllis. Maybe it's at work, at school or in our family.

Angela Kinsey: The relationships are so strong—we've all had a crush on someone we know, and to watch Jim and Pam navigate that is so endearing. And the best stories are simple. Our show was about a group of everyday people at their 9-to-5 job. Because of the single-camera nature, we were able to have more patience with the comedy and let storylines play out.

Where are your characters today?

JF: Pam I'm sure is living in Austin with Jim [and their children] CeCe and Phillip, and I like to imagine she's painting murals and maybe has a successful Etsy shop.

AK: **Angela** and **Dwight** [Rainn Wilson] and their children are enjoying their lives on the beet farm. I feel like Angela took over the accounting of the farm and runs a very tight ship.



How do you both differ from your characters?

JF: Pam is very contained. She takes a long time to make moves. I'm more proactive. More ambitious.

AK: Well, I have never met a stranger. I chat up everyone. I actually love meeting new people and learning about their lives. Angela Martin would never talk to a stranger—so there's that. Also, I don't own any gray turtlenecks or fluffy blouses with tons of tiny buttons.

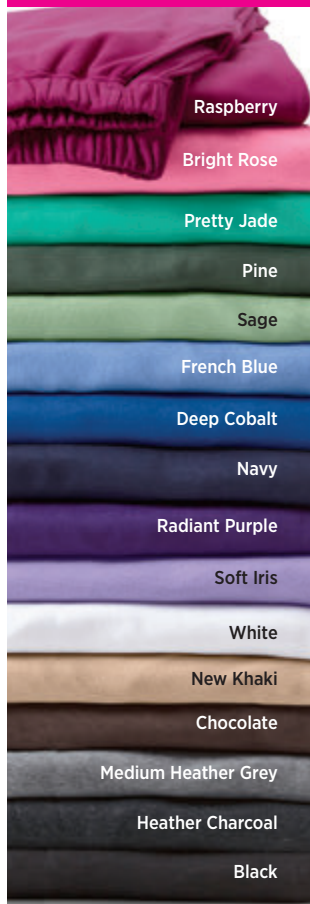
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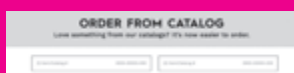
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easier to think more positively if you don't bombard yourself with repetitive, stressful bad-news stories.

Take control. Even cleaning or making a to-do list can help you exert order and create a sense of being in control. Little rituals (prayer, meditation, lining up your pencils) also can be calming.

Go outside. Green spaces reset our attention, which negative chatter depletes. Outdoors, we often feel the emotion of awe, being in the presence of something vast or indescribable (the Grand Canyon, a tree, a cathedral). Awe triggers us to think beyond ourselves—and magically shrinks the pesky voice in our head, Kross says.

Teaching Kids to Talk Nice (to Themselves)

What if kids learned early how to silence their inner critics and use their inner voices to coach themselves through life's challenges?

In Clayton County, Ga., schoolkids have been learning just that using scientifically vetted tools for managing emotions and thoughts. At year's end, they'll be followed up over time and compared to a control group that learned tools for studying better.

The clinical trial is being run by director Ethan Kross, who was inspired to bring his Toolbox Project to schoolkids by one of his University of Michigan students who, on the last day of class, asked, "Why didn't anyone teach us about these things earlier, when we could have really benefited from them?"

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Americans can finally grow hair so thick “It will cover up your bald spots,” says top US Doctor

Clinical trials show a new hair loss breakthrough can both help men and women naturally regrow a thick, full head of hair – without drugs, surgery, or side effects

Thousands are rushing to get a new hair restoration method based on surprising new studies from the University of California.

It is the world's first and only hair loss solution that revives dead hair follicles. And studies confirm it helps men and women regrow a thick, full head of hair, even after years of balding.

Now, with news of this breakthrough spreading like wildfire — the manufacturers are struggling to keep up with overwhelming demand.

That's because, unlike other methods, it is prescription-free, drug-free, and has no side effects. And while hair transplants can cost \$4,000 or more, this new approach costs pennies on the dollar and doesn't involve going to the doctor's office.

Instead, it leverages cutting-edge technology to prevent hair loss, fill-in embarrassing bald spots, and renourish thinning hair — with results you can see and feel in 30 days or less.

As Jeanne F. from San Diego, CA reports: “When my husband began to use this product, all he had on top of his head was fuzz. His hair began to grow after 30 days and now it is about 2 to 3 inches long!”

Surprising Truth About Hair Loss

It is commonly believed that hair loss is hereditary.

Unfortunately, most people think there is nothing they can do to stop it. However, while many doctors will tell you that thinning hair, a receding hairline, and bald spots are due to your genetics, this is not the whole story.

“While genetics play a role, it's not the main reason you lose hair,” says Dr. Al Sears, the nation's top anti-aging doctor. “And surprisingly it's not just your age, thyroid, hormones, stress, or a vi-

tamin deficiency, either.”

The latest scientific research reveals that hair loss is primarily caused by the stem cells in your hair follicles dying.

“This discovery is a true breakthrough because by reviving these stem cells on your scalp, you can stop hair loss dead in its tracks and trigger new hair growth, even in areas that have been thinning for years,” explains Dr. Sears.

Now, at his world-famous clinic, the Sears Institute for Anti-Aging Medicine in Palm Beach, Florida, Dr. Sears and his team have used this game-changing discovery to develop a brand-new hair restoration formula that is taking the country by storm.

Sold under the name **Re-Nourish**, it is flying off the shelves with men and women of all ages raving about the results it delivers.

“I have seen a significant improvement in hair growth. Previously, you could see thinning areas at the back of my head and now hair has grown over it,” says Peter W. from Ontario, Canada.

And Susan D. from Fort Pierce, Florida reports, “My hair was thinning. So, I began to use Re-Nourish every day on the front part of my scalp. Now I have thicker hair.”

Regrows Hair In Just 30 Days

Scientists now know that stem cells are the lifeblood of your hair follicles.

Research from the University of California shows they're the reason you're able to grow hair. However, these stem cells aren't always active. In fact, studies reveal they're only active during certain phases of the hair growth cycle.

“Your hair grows in three phases,” explains Dr. Sears. “First, you have the anagen phase, the

hair growing phase. Then the catagen phase, when hair gets ready to shed. And finally, the telogen phase, where your hair is pushed from the follicle and falls out.”

As you get older it becomes harder for your hair follicles to complete this three-phase cycle. The results? Your hairs get stuck in the telogen phase. This is when they start falling out and stop regrowing, no matter what you try.

This process doesn't happen overnight, says Dr. Sears.

“At first, your hair dries out, becoming brittle, thin, and harder to style. Then, you start finding hairs on your pillow and down the drain. Finally, you're left with bald spots that age you prematurely.”

Fortunately, **Re-Nourish** puts a stop to this. It revives the dead stem cells in your hair follicles and reactivates your hair's three-phase cycle, triggering new growth in as little as 30 days — even in areas that've been balding for years.

Reawakens Dead Hair Follicles

For years, scientists couldn't figure out why hair follicle stem cells died.

However, a study from the University of California finally found the answer,

It has to do with T-cells — an important immune cell in your body. The researchers discovered these T-cells are the only way to command hair follicles to grow new hair.

More importantly, they showed that T-cells helped revive the stem cells in your hair follicles — spurring new growth, filling in bald spots and natural hairline.

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Breakthrough research proves this discovery helps fill-in bald spots, re-nourishes thinning hair, and leads to noticeable growth in as little as 30 days.

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In another study, Italian researchers gathered a group of both men and women with thinning hair and applied the core ingredient of **Re-Nourish**. After 12 weeks, they reported a staggering 74% increase in hair growth.

“It's really mind-boggling that my hair started growing back,” says Zan R., another **Re-Nourish** customer.

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—Delma Carr, Overton, Tenn.

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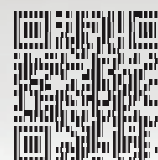
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